Dear Sir/Madam

Your request for information has now been considered and the information requested is provided below.

Request:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act to request the following information from your council:

1. How much money is spent by the council, or by contracted caterers, on disposable plastic-lined coffee cups, and how much did these purchases cost? I would like this information broken down by year for the past three financial years (2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17).

   Answer:
   
   
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<th>Year</th>
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<td>2014-15</td>
<td>£ 158.80</td>
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<td>£ 149.90</td>
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<td>2016-17</td>
<td>£ 224.00</td>
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2. How much money is spent by the council, or by contracted caterers, on disposable plastic cutlery, and how much did these purchases cost? I would like this information broken down by year for the past three financial years (2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17).

   Answer: None

3. Does the council intend to continue purchasing disposable coffee cups and plastic cutlery?

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<td>Disposable Coffee Cups</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td>Plastic Cutlery</td>
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4. Does the council have recycling facilities in its district that have the capability to recycle the specific coffee cups and plastic cutlery purchased?

   Answer: Rutland County Council has no facilities (or provisions) within its Local Authority Area for the recycling of disposable plastic-lined coffee cups. Rutland County Council’s ‘kerbside collected dry mixed recycling’ and ‘Civic Amenity Site hard plastic’ waste streams provide for the recycling of some
disposable plastic cutlery. This material is processed at facilities located outside of Rutland. This excludes black plastic.

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Yours faithfully

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