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Request:

1. How many recycling bins have been rejected by your council over the past 12 months due to contamination?
2. How many fines have been given out over the past 12 months, and the total monetary amount of fines set in past 12 months for contaminated recycling bins?
3. How much have rejected recycling bins cost the council over the past 12 months?

Would you have figures for questions 1, 2 and 3 for the years from 2014 - 2019?

Response:

Thank you for your information request which Mid and East Antrim Borough Council received on 09 December 2019. Please find below, Mid and East Antrim Borough Council's response in relation to your request.

1. How many recycling bins have been rejected by your council over the past 12 months due to contamination?

Over the past 12 months there were 563 bins rejected due to contamination.

2. How many fines have been given out over the past 12 months, and the total monetary amount of fines set in past 12 months for contaminated recycling bins?

None

3. How much have rejected recycling bins cost the council over the past 12 months?

Nothing as contaminated bins are not collected.

Would you have figures for questions 1, 2 and 3 for the years from 2014 - 2019?

Figures for these periods are not available.

We do have figures from August 2018 - December 2018 when 95 bins were rejected due to contamination.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of part of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to the Chief Executive at the Braid Ballymena Town Hall, 1-29 Bridge Street, Ballymena, BT43 5EJ.

Please remember to quote the reference number FOI/336/1920 in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of an internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Please be advised that Mid and East Antrim Borough Council may release the response to this information request into the public domain via our website at <https://www.midandeastantrim.gov.uk/>.

If we publish our response to your request, your personal data will be removed to protect your privacy.