



Further to your information request FOI/EIR 25/26-035, please find your question and our response below.

Request:

Have enclosed a copy of the front page of a document sent to me and received today.

I am assuming nearly 600,000 other adults have received it as well.

No doubt you will tell me if this number is incorrect.

If we need to have all this information surely it would have been more simple and financially beneficial to me and 600,000 other council tax/taxpayers to have included, it with the voting papers when they are sent out.

I wish to know:

How many of these documents are being sent out?

The total cost of producing this publication for the entire adult voting population of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough combined authority?

The total cost of postage for this publication for the entire adult voting population of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough combined authority?

Where did the money come from for producing this publication?

Where did the money come from for posting this publication?

Why is this publication not included with the voting papers.

Response:

Approximately 645,000 documents have been distributed.

Quoted price for production of the booklets - £54,652.32

Quoted price for postage of the booklets – £462,960.00

The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority will fund the production of the booklets with £500 contributions from each candidate.

The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority will fund the postage for the booklets.

Given the timetable we have to work with, the sheer volume of booklets to be printed and distributed, and the liaison with other councils, candidates and agents, it was not logistically possible to include with postal voting packs. Most electors do not vote by post so this also meant splitting the distribution, so priority was given to those who do.

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 25/26-035.

If information has been refused, please treat this as a Refusal Notice for the purposes of the Act.

If you disagree with our decision or are otherwise unhappy with how we have dealt with your request in the first instance you may approach foi@eastcambs.gov.uk and request a review. A request for review must be made in no more than 40 working days from the date of this email.

Should you remain dissatisfied with the outcome you have a right under s50 of the Freedom of Information Act to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow SK9 5AF.