

Further to your information request FOI/EIR 24/25-110, please find your question and our response below.

## Request:

- 1) From May 1st 2023 to May 1st 2024, how many complaints have been made about private gardens in relation to their maintenance such as high hedges, invasive weeds & severely overgrown shrubs/plants etc or any other complaint relating to overgrown gardens? For each complaint could this be broken down into the following details:
  - Date of the complaint
  - The main reason cited in the complaint e.g. high hedges
  - First part of the postcode for the property the complaint was made about if this isn't available, the first part of the postcode for the property making the complaint e.g. NG1 this then isn't specific enough to identify the exact property

Could you present data in the below format:

| Date       | Postal area | Main reason for complaint         |
|------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|
| 17/05/2023 | CB6         | Overgrown land                    |
| 17/05/2023 | CB6         | Overgrown garden                  |
| 18/05/2023 | CB6         | Overgrown land                    |
| 21/05/2023 | CB6         | Overgrown garden                  |
| 22/05/2023 | CB7         | Overgrown garden                  |
| 23/05/2023 | CB6         | Overgrown garden                  |
| 23/05/2023 | CB6         | Overgrown garden                  |
| 05/06/2023 | CB7         | Overgrown garden                  |
| 07/06/2023 | CB7         | Overgrown garden (empty property) |
| 15/06/2023 | CB7         | Overgrown garden                  |
| 26/06/2023 | CB6         | Overgrown garden                  |
| 30/06/2023 | CB6         | Overgrown garden                  |
| 30/06/2023 | CB6         | Overgrown garden                  |

| 06/07/2023 | СВ7  | Overgrown garden                   |
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| 06/07/2023 | CB6  | Overgrown garden (empty property)  |
| 10/07/2023 | CB6  | Overgrown garden                   |
| 21/07/2023 | CB7  | Overgrown garden (empty property)  |
| 24/07/2023 | CB6  | Overgrown garden                   |
| 31/07/2023 | CB6  | Overgrown garden                   |
| 01/08/2023 | CB6  | Overgrown garden                   |
| 02/08/2023 | CB6  | Overgrown garden                   |
| 09/08/2023 | CB6  | Overgrown garden                   |
| 11/08/2023 | CB6  | Overgrown garden (empty property)  |
| 11/08/2023 | CB6  | Overgrown garden and giant hogweed |
| 08/09/2023 | CB6  | Overgrown land                     |
| 17/10/2023 | CB6  | Overgrown garden (empty property)  |
| 07/01/2024 | CB6  | Overgrown hedge over path          |
| 25/01/2024 | CB6  | Overgrown garden                   |
| 29/02/2024 | СВ7  | Overgrown garden                   |
| 13/03/2024 | CB6  | Overgrown garden (empty property)  |
| 09/04/2023 | CB6  | Overgrown garden                   |
| 09/04/2024 | CB6  | Giant Hogweed                      |
| 22/04/2024 | CB25 | Overgrown garden                   |
| 02/05/2023 | СВ7  | Overgrown trees                    |
| 10/05/2023 | СВ6  | Overgrown trees                    |
| 22/05/2023 | СВ7  | Overgrown trees                    |

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| 31/05/2023 | CB6 | Overgrown trees |
| 09/06/2023 | CB8 | Overgrown trees |
| 14/06/2023 | CB6 | Overgrown trees |
| 20/06/2023 | CB6 | Overgrown trees |
| 28/06/2023 | СВ7 | Overgrown trees |
| 05/07/2023 | CB7 | Overgrown trees |
| 17/07/2023 | СВ7 | Overgrown trees |
| 18/07/2023 | СВ7 | Overgrown trees |
| 19/07/2023 | CB6 | Overgrown trees |
| 19/07/2023 | СВ7 | Overgrown trees |
| 24/07/2023 | СВ7 | Overgrown trees |
| 26/07/2023 | CB8 | Overgrown trees |
| 28/07/2023 | CB8 | Overgrown trees |
| 01/08/2023 | CB6 | Overgrown trees |
| 07/08/2023 | СВ7 | Overgrown trees |
| 09/08/2023 | СВ6 | Overgrown trees |
| 14/08/2023 | CB8 | Overgrown trees |
| 21/09/2023 | СВ7 | Overgrown trees |
| 12/10/2023 | СВ6 | High Hedges     |
| 18/10/2023 | СВ6 | Overgrown trees |
| 02/11/2023 | СВ6 | Overgrown trees |
| 06/11/2023 | CB8 | Overgrown trees |
| 21/11/2023 | СВ7 | Overgrown trees |
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| 06/12/2023 | СВ6  | Overgrown trees  |
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| 08/12/2023 | СВ6  | High Hedges      |
| 18/12/2023 | СВ6  | Overgrown trees  |
| 08/01/2024 | СВ6  | Overgrown trees  |
| 10/01/2024 | CB25 | Overgrown trees  |
| 15/01/2024 | СВ7  | Overgrown trees  |
| 17/01/2024 | СВ6  | Overgrown trees  |
| 30/01/2024 | СВ6  | Overgrown trees  |
| 05/02/2024 | СВ6  | Overgrown trees  |
| 07/02/2024 | СВ7  | Overgrown trees  |
| 16/02/2024 | CB25 | Overgrown trees  |
| 10/04/2024 | СВ6  | Overgrown trees  |
| 16/04/2024 | СВ7  | Overgrown trees  |
| 17/04/2024 | СВ6  | Overgrown trees  |
| 30/04/2024 | СВ7  | Overgrown trees  |
| 10/07/2023 | СВ6  | Overgrown garden |
| 10/07/2023 | СВ6  | Overgrown garden |

- 2) From May 1st 2023 to May 1st 2024, how many private properties have received more than one complaint in relation to the maintenance of their garden such as high hedges, invasive weeds & severely overgrown shrubs/plants etc or any other complaint relating to overgrown gardens? For each property, could this be broken down into the following details:
  - First part of the postcode for the property the complaint was made about e.g. NG1 this then isn't specific enough to identify the exact property
  - Total number of complaints about that property (within the given time period May 1st 2023 May 1st 2024)

Could you present data in the below format:

| Postal Area | Total number of complaints about the property |
|-------------|---|
| n/a         | 0   |

## Response:

Please see tables above for responses.

This concludes your request FOI/EIR 24/25-110.

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.