**Freedom of Information Act Request**

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Response: 01 October 2025

I can confirm that Essex County Council does not hold this information.

**Please provide the following information for the period 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2025, broken down by financial year:**

1. **Total expenditure by the council on pest control services, including both in-house provision and external/contracted services.**
2. **If any services are contracted out, please provide the supplier name(s) and the contract value(s).**
3. **The number of call-outs/treatments by species category (e.g. rats, mice, pigeons, gulls, foxes, grey squirrels, wasps, bedbugs, cockroaches—please use your own categories if recorded differently).**
4. **For any lethal control commissioned or carried out by the council, the number of animals killed by species and, where recorded, the method used (e.g. trapping, poisoning, shooting).**
5. **A copy of any policy, guidance, or standard operating procedure relating to the council’s pest control service or contractors.**

I can confirm that Essex County Council does not hold this information, ECC does not have a pest control service. Your request should be directed to City, District and Borough Councils who may be able to provide you with the information. Please see our webpages which should help you further.

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