

FOI number: **HBC\_FOI\_20210149**  
Date FOI Received: **14/03/2021**  
Department: **Environmental Health**  
Title: **Smoke Complaints 2016 - 2021**  
Description: **Smoke Complaints 2016 - 2021**

**Request: (As Redacted sent by requestor)**

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