

 How many council-owned or operated (commissioned) vehicles, such as road sweepers, rubbish trucks, taxis, busses, maintenance vans, etc, are exempt from fines for travelling through Low Traffic Neighbourhood (LTN) or equivalent traffic scheme barriers / allowed to travel through these barriers without being issued a fine?

Please categorise by vehicle type where possible.

- 2. How many FOI requests did your council receive in each of the past six calendar years? For clarity I mean 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024. By FOI request, I mean emails / forms not the total number of questions, ie, I would expect you to categorise this email as a single FOI request even though it contains multiple questions within it.
- 3. How many FOI requests did your council receive in each of the past six calendar years that were about LTNs or had at least one element of the request about LTNs?

 Wigan Council do not designate schemes as Low Traffic Neighbourhoods (LTNs) as an authority within Greater Manchester. Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM) officers would emphasise that the Low Traffic Neighbourhood (LTN) designation is an approach taken by Transport for London (TfL) not TfGM.

Wigan Council has delivered the Worsley Mesnes scheme that shares similarities with LTNs. This scheme includes modal filters, new crossings, and raised platforms. It does not include any camera enforcement of moving traffic offences.

2. Please use the following link to view FOI statistics which are at the bottom of the webpage:

Request for Information

3. Due to the Council's retention period on FOI requests, we only hold information for the last 3 years.

In that time, the Council received 9 requests (including this one) regarding LTNs or where LTNs has formed part of the request.

- 2022: 2 2023: 1 2024: 5 2025: 1
- 4. We are not able to disaggregate this information from the overall cost of the IG Team and staff working in services across the Council who deal with requests.
- 4. What has been the cost to the council of its freedom of information service in each of the past six calendar years?

- 5. How many fines has the council issued to motorists for LTN contraventions in each of the past six calendar years and what is the total value of those fines? In each year could you also please advise the number of LTN fines that have been appealed and the number of appeals that have been successful including those at any external adjudicator.
- 6. How much has the council spent on designing, consulting, building, marketing, maintaining, redesigning and monitoring/enforcing LTNs in each of the past six calendar years? Where possible this should include estimated staff costs. Ideally, I would like the costs broken down by each element but my principal objective is to establish how much in total the council has spent on LTNs in each of the past six years. Please also include any legal fees incurred by the council which have been related to LTNs.
- 7. How much has the council paid to external contractors/companies/charities for the design, implementation, construction and maintenance of LTNs in each of the past six calendar years. Please also list the names of external contractors/companies/charities that have been paid more than £10,000 by the council in total over those six years for work related to LTNs and how much in total each of these contractors/companies/charities has been paid? It would also be helpful to give a brief summary of the main types of work that each of these institutions have been used for, such as "design work", "building work", "consultation work", etc.

5. Nil. See question 1.

The Worsley Mesnes scheme (delivered) includes modal filters, but no ANPR enforcement.

6. Find the following total scheme budgets below:

Worsley Mesnes: Phase 1: May 2022 – Oct 2022 Phase 2: Oct 2022 – Feb 2023 c. Development Costs: £111,455.12 Construction Costs: £488,468.43 (phase 1) £403,103.45 (phase 2) Funded by ATF 2 (Active Travel England).

7. Worsley Mesnes:

In-house project management.

Outline and detailed design carried out by external consultant, WSP.

2021: £19,299.53 2022: £70,736.59 Total: £90,036.12

Construction carried out by external contractor, Bethell (supplementary works to Parsons Meadow were carried out in 2024).

2022: £688,730.91 2023: £30,354.75 2024: 56,910.22

Additional Information:

The Worsley Mesnes scheme was independently reviewed in March 2024 by Ipsos. Findings can be found using the link below:

LTN Research Report