

East Lothian Council

EIR Ref: 2018/150(13285)

This is a freedom of information request under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. The information I require is as follows:

1. What is the total budget allocated for road repairs in each of the last 5 years.

The term "road" covers all asset groups under the legislation (i.e.: footways, verges etc) however, East Lothian Council has interpreted your request as relating to carriageways. We have therefore responded on that basis.

2012/13 – £3.02 million
2013/14 – £2.97 million
2014/15 – £2.33 million
2015/16 – £2.16 million
2016/17 – £2.15 million

2. How much funding has been allocated by the local authority for winter maintenance of roads and pavements in each of the last 5 financial years.

£1,000,000 per year

3. How much of the winter maintenance budget for 2017/2018 has been spent as of 31 January 2018.

£841,324

4. The total value of compensation claims a) submitted and b) settled by the local authority for damage caused by defective roads in each of the last 5 years.

Please refer to the table at Appendix I overleaf.

5. The total value of compensation claims a) submitted and b) settled by the local authority for injuries sustained due to ice and winter weather conditions for each of the last 5 financial years.

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Appendix I

	Total Paid	Number paid	Number Repudiated	Number of claims received	Claim forms issued but not returned
2013/14	£5,053	17	42	59	9
2014/15	£2,354	12	31	53	8
2015/16	£1,988	12	47	58	9
2016/17	£3,489	12	32	44	7
2017/18 (to 01/03/18)	£3,379	10	36	60*	13

*not all claims have been finalised.

Please Note:

- Any emails/correspondence received by East Lothian Council's Insurance & Claims team which report an incident and request compensation result in a claim form being issued.
- Only information relating to claims received has been provided
- Only information relating to motorists has been provided
- All payments relate to vehicle damage
- The information relates to claims for all road defects including drain covers and traffic island bollards
- The information relates to incidents occurring during the past five financial years