

East Lothian Council

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Please would you supply the answers to the following three questions relating to pothole claims:

1. How much money overall has been paid out by East Lothian Council in connection with compensation claims (whether or not liability was accepted) relating to potholes involving a/ cyclists and b/ motorists in each of the last five years?

2. How many individual a/cyclists and b/motorists have received compensation as a result of claims relating to potholes in each of the last five years?

3. What is East Lothian Council's total expenditure on legal costs defending and settling claims, including both their own and the Claimants' legal costs, for pothole related claims in each of the last five years?

	Compensation paid		Number Paid	Legal Costs#
	Cyclists	Motorists		
2012/13	Nil	£4,713	0 Cyclists 12 Motorists	Nil
2013/14	£1,030	£3,307	1 Cyclist 18 Motorists	Nil
2014/15	£19,000	£2,154	1 Cyclist 11 Motorists	£31,900
2015/16	Nil	£1,818	0 Cyclist 11 Motorists	Nil
2016/17*	£4,725	£1,751	1 Cyclist 10 Motorists	£2,742
2017/18* to 01/03/18	Nil	£1,751	0 Cyclists 8 Motorists	Nil

*not all claims have yet been finalised with a decision

#These figures include disbursements, however, we are unable to provide a further breakdown.