

East Lothian Council

EIR Ref: 2018/504068

Do you charge residents to dispose of garden waste as part of the regular (weekly/fortnightly/monthly) doorstep collection of household waste and recyclables?

No, East Lothian Council does not charge residents for this service.

If you do currently have a charge:

1) How many households subscribe to this service, and what proportion of all households does this represent?

Not applicable

2) How much revenue did the charge generate in financial years:

a. 2014/5

b. 2015/6

c. 2016/7

Not applicable

3) Is there currently a plan to increase or decrease the charge over the next three years (for example, in line with inflation, or if the introduction of a charge has been staggered)?

Not applicable

If you do not currently have a charge:

4) Is the council implementing such a charge in the next 24 months?

East Lothian Council has no plans to charge at present.

5) Please release any plans, proposals, impact assessments or other documents detailing the discussion of options relating to the imposition of a charge on the collection of garden waste.

Not applicable

It may help to explain that Freedom of Information legislation only applies to information which is held or recorded by a public authority. It does not apply to views, opinions, intentions or questions which simply require a yes/no answer. In view of this, some of the questions asked are not technically valid for the purposes of this legislation as they are not requests for specific recorded information that ELC may or may not hold.

In order to assist you, however, colleagues have addressed the questions posed to the best of their knowledge. For future reference, a link to the "Tips for Requesters" page of the Scottish Information Commissioner's website has been provided which you may find useful:

<http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/YourRights/Tipsforrequesters.aspx>