

East Lothian Council

FOI Ref: 2018/540262

The data I am looking for is for the past year and would be preferably on a calendar year basis (2017) but can be by financial year if that is how you record it (2017/18). What I am requesting is;

- the number of National Assistance Funerals carried out (and whether these were burials or cremations

16 funerals:

Six cremations

Eight burials

Details of arrangements for two funerals are not recorded

- the age of the deceased (this can be an average over the year or a list of each individual age)

69 years (average)

- the reason given for requiring a National Assistance Funeral (if one was given) preferably in the form of – no next of kin; unwilling to pay; unable to pay; or estranged.

Estranged from next of kin or no funds

- the total cost of each funeral – before recoveries (this can be a cumulative total if it would take too long to gather).

£50,018.40 in total

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£4,368.95 recovered in respect of one funeral.