

FOI REF:	14509
RESPONSE SENT:	14/08/2024

Request:

I am investigating how much has been spent on policing and managing Palestine protests since October 7 and the broader impact of protests on council proceedings.

1. How much has the council spent on security - private security, police, and general management of protests around Palestine, Gaza and Israel - from October 7 2023 until June 2024?

2. What was the total council security expenditure October 2023 - June 2024? This includes staff costs, and/or equipment (such as alarms, monitoring, and maintenance), and/or third-party costs (such as private security costs).

3. What was the total council security expenditure October 2022 - June 2023?

4. How many council meetings have been disrupted by protests since October 7? How many of these protests were related to the Israel/Palestine conflict and/or the war in Gaza?

5. How many (if any) council meetings have been cancelled since October 7? How many of these protests were related to the Israel/Palestine conflict and/or the war in Gaza?

6. How many people do you understand have taken part in Gaza / anti-Israel / pro-Palestine protests in and around council buildings?

7. Have the police been involved in any protests at the council since October 7? If so, how many times and were any arrests made? If so, how many and why?

8. How many motions, questions, or resolutions about Israel/Palestine have been tabled to the council since October 7?

Response:

Q1 – 0

Q2 – Oct 2023 to June 2024 = £848.97

Q3 – Oct 2022 to June 2023 = £495.80

Q4 – 0

Q5 – 0

Q6 – none reported

Q7 – 0

Q8 - 0.

