

## 62013 Outdoor Café Installation at St Mary's Cathedral

Please provide all correspondence and records held by the Council relating to the outdoor café installation at St Mary's Cathedral, Palmerston Place, Edinburgh between 1 March 2024 and the date of this request (13/05/2026).

Specifically:

- Correspondence with the operator - emails, letters, and any written records of telephone discussions between the Council and the operator of the outdoor café.
- Correspondence with the landowner - emails, letters, and any written records of telephone discussions between the Council and St Mary's Cathedral (or its representatives) relating to the installation, operation, or planning status of the outdoor café.
- Internal Planning and Enforcement emails - internal emails and case notes held by Planning and Enforcement relating to the planning status, assessment, or monitoring of the outdoor café installation.
- Records of Council contact - any records of contact made by the Council to the operator or landowner regarding intended opening dates, duration of operation, or planning requirements.
- Internal planning assessments - any internal assessments made by Planning or Enforcement regarding whether planning permission is required for the installation.

There have been two Planning Enforcement cases in relation to this since 01/03/2024. The first, reference 25/00569/ECOU, has concluded and the correspondence associated with this is attached. The Report of Handling for the Enforcement Case is published on the Planning Portal at:

<https://citydev-portal.edinburgh.gov.uk/idoxpa-web/search.do?action=simple&searchType=Application>

Select 'Enforcement' then enter the reference number.

Third party personal information has been redacted from the correspondence provided in compliance with the Data Protection Act 2018.

The second Enforcement Case, 26/00277/ECOU, has only just been opened and whilst there are communications, these form part of an on-going investigation and as such cannot be provided at this time.