

63387 Removal of Flags from Council-Controlled Public Spaces and Assets

Please note that the following response is limited to flags that were attached to street lighting columns in 2025/26, as no flags were attached to columns in any of the previously requested years.

The number of flags removed by, for, or on the instructions of the council.

168.

The council's recorded expenditure on removing them, including payments to contractors and any separately recorded internal costs.

The amount paid to each contractor or supplier for this work.

A payment of £7,575.00 plus VAT was made to a contractor for the removal of flags from street lighting columns.

If recorded, a breakdown by the type of flag removed – for example, the Union Flag, Saltire, St George's Cross or another flag type.

The type of flag that was removed from street lighting columns was not recorded.

Whether the removal work was undertaken by council employees, a council-owned company or an external contractor.

Of the 168 flags that were removed from street lighting columns, 73 flags were removed by a contractor and 95 flags were removed by the Council's in-house Street Lighting Operations Team.

The name of any external contractor, supplier or council-owned company used.

Field and Lawn.

The council department or team responsible where the work was completed internally. I am not requesting the names of individual employees.

The Council's in-house Street Lighting Operations Team.

Any associated contract, purchase-order or invoice reference, if recorded.

The work of the contractor was completed under Purchase Order Number 2959839 and invoiced under their Invoice Number 15899.