

Environmental Information Regulations – Response - 26792

Freedom of Information Office, may I ask that you please:

1. Provide me with the date that Melton Road, Woodbridge, IP12 1NT was last surveyed in the vicinity of the SPAR/GULF petrol STATION.

NB Clarification obtained from requester on 21-01-26 that in the context of this EIR, “surveyed” was meant to imply when ‘highway maintenance safety inspections’ were carried out.

Please see the following file named ‘26792_InspectionReport.pdf’

2. Provide me with a copy of the results of the survey, and

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3. Advise me of what action was taken following the survey

No action as there were no highway defects meeting repair criteria set out in Suffolk County Council’s Highways Maintenance Operational Plan (HMOP).

The HMOP can be found at <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/highway-maintenance/highway-asset-management/highway-maintenance-operational-plan>

Redacted Information

All information released in response to a Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) or Environmental Information Regulation 2004 (EIR) request is deemed to be in the public domain. As such we must consider whether or not the requested information qualifies as personal information and should therefore not be released into the public domain.

The council has determined that this is personal information and is therefore exempt from disclosure under **section 40** of the FOIA and **regulation 13** of the EIR.

The Council considered the following, including the possible consequences of disclosure for the data subjects concerned and their reasonable expectations as to the use of their data:

- expectations of the individuals concerned about personal information being put into the public domain;
- reasonable expectations - the data subjects concerned would have a legitimate expectation of privacy concerning their personal information and would not have anticipated this being put into the public domain;
- whether or not the requested information could be anonymised; and
- balancing the individual’s rights and the legitimate interests - In past cases the Information Commissioner has weighed the individual’s rights to privacy against

the public interest in disclosure. There is no presumption in favour of releasing personal data.

This is an absolute exemption, which means that if the condition is satisfied there is no additional public interest test to consider.

In assessing fairness, the Council considered the likely consequences of disclosure of the requested information. Personal information should not be used in ways that have unjustified adverse effects on the individuals concerned. The council also considered whether such disclosure would be within the reasonable expectations of the individuals, given that any response to a request under the FOIA or EIR is deemed to be in the public domain. The council believes that in this instance it is not fair to disclose personal data and is therefore withholding the requested information under section 40 of the FOIA and regulation 13 of the EIR.

Inspections Done**From** 01/12/2025 **To** 20/01/2026

22/01/2026

Nsg Ref: 38601203 MELTON ROAD, MELTON

Activity Type: CSI Carriageway Safety Inspections **Survey no:** 200350

Frequency: 1 Month

Date Due: 17/12/2025

Done Date/Time: 11/12/2025 @ 15:07

Inspector: [REDACTED]

Defect Found: No

Description:

Next Due Date: 17/01/2026

Last Updated By: [REDACTED] **at** 16:26 **on** 11/12/2025

Activity Type: CSI Carriageway Safety Inspections **Survey no:** 200842

Frequency: 1 Month

Date Due: 17/01/2026

Done Date/Time: 13/01/2026 @ 12:24

Inspector: [REDACTED]

Defect Found: No

Description:

Next Due Date: 17/02/2026

Last Updated By: [REDACTED] **at** 16:02 **on** 13/01/2026
