

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

Your request for information has now been considered and the Council's response to your questions is shown below.

### You asked:

**In the past three financial years, how many people had a council tax debt that resulted in council action?**

We cannot quantify how many "people" had a Council Tax debt that result in recovery action as this action continues for any previous year's arrears into future years, until the charge has been paid in full.

**How many of those had a debt taken out of earnings or benefits?**

**How many had bailiffs called in?**

**How many did the council file to make bankrupt?**

**How many were jailed?**

<b>Recovery action</b>	<b>2009/10</b>	<b>2010/11</b>	<b>2011/12</b>
Deductions from benefits	3,567	2,953	3,009
Attachment of earnings	3,949	3,564	3,475
Referral to bailiffs	11,003	9,828	9,291
Bankruptcy	2	1	0
Committal to prison	0	0	0

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Leicester City Council  
FREEPOST (LE985/33)  
New Walk Centre  
LEICESTER LE1 6ZG**

e-mail: [info.requests@leicester.gov.uk](mailto:info.requests@leicester.gov.uk)

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Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow SK9 5AF  
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