

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:

Please note that I am interested in receiving the information even if the theatre company or production company IS not (for whatever reason) going ahead with the production.

Please note that I am only interested in material which relates to the period January 1 2012 to the present day.

Please do redact any confidential financial information from the documents.

Please do exclude information which relates to any school productions.

1.Has the council been in contact with any theatre company and or production company and or similar about the production of a Pantomime in premises within the council's area.

ANSWER

The Council has been contacted from a company called Leicester Do the Show Right Here who were seeking a location in the City for a tent to stage a pantomime.

2.If the answer to the above question is yes can you please supply copies of all correspondence and communications (including emails) between the council and the aforementioned theatre company and or production company and or similar. This correspondence and communication will include but will not be limited to actual contracts as well as communications about scripts and storylines, the use of children and animals in performances, casting issues, information about health and safety requirements at particular venues, special effects and crowd controls.

3.All internal communications (including emails) which are held by the council and which in any way relate to plans for a Pantomime this Christmas. I am interested in receiving the information even if the planned production is not now going ahead.

See attached.

The names and contact details of the writers of some of this correspondence have been redacted, as have the names of junior members of staff. These are exempt from release under s40(2) of The Act as they are personal data and this therefore acts as a refusal notice under s.17 of The Act.

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If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request please write to:

Information Governance Manager
Information and Support
Leicester City Council
FREEPOST (LE985/33)
New Walk Centre
LEICESTER LE1 6ZG

e-mail: info.requests@leicester.gov.uk

Your request for internal review should be submitted to the above address within 40 (forty) working days of receipt by you of this response. Any such request received after this time will only be considered at the Council's absolute discretion.

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Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow SK9 5AF
Telephone: 01625 545 700
www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk

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