

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:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, please can you provide me with details of:

1. Changes to the boundaries of Green Belt land in the council area that have taken place since January 2012

ANSWER

Leicester City Council does not have any green belt land in its administrative area. Green belt land is a land use designation recognised by the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF).

Leicester does have green wedge land allocations in the City. This is a strategic land use designation that has developed locally in Leicestershire over approximately 20 years. In most cases green wedges also extend beyond the City boundary through green wedge allocations in adjoining districts. However, they do not have the same status or policy recognition as the national Green Belt designation and cover much smaller areas of land.

There have not been any changes to the boundary of green wedges in Leicester since January 2012.

2. The area of land that has both been added and lost in the change?

N/A – see answer to Q1

3. Any plans or proposals to change the boundaries of Green Belt land in your area that are currently in place, again with the area of land that will be affected?

Changes to Green Wedge boundaries would have to be considered as part of a review of the Local Plan for the City. It is not anticipated that this would take place until later in 2013 at the earliest.

4. If the council is planning to hold a review of the boundaries in the near future?

See answer to Q3.

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Yours sincerely

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