

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:

Full details of reports received of female pupils

- a) having suffered;**
- b) suspected to have suffered or**
- c) believed to be at risk of suffering**

female genital mutilation

in each of the last three years for which figures are available.

I would like the response to include the age of the girls involved, the injuries suffered and the action taken by the local education authority as a result – e.g. treatment, referral elsewhere, report to the police, etc.

I would also like to know whether the Authority has an official policy on dealing with FGM, whether it collects statistics on the problem, and whether it provides relevant training for staff.

ANSWER:

There have been no reports of female pupils with regards to the above.

For FGM policies please follow the below link to the policy that Leicester City Council uses on the LSCB website.

For your information this letter constitutes a refusal notice under Section 17.1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 because an exemption under Section 21 of the Act is being applied, namely the information is accessible by other means.

http://lrs.cb.proceduresonline.com/chapters/p_fgm.html?printMe.x=12&printMe.y=9

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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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