

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:

I wish to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act relating to the Council's expenditure on Christmas trees.

I would like to request:

- The total amount the council paid for Christmas trees and decorations (including lights) to decorate local authority buildings in 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13.**

ANSWER

The total amount council paid for the supply, delivery, erection, decorating, dismantling, remove and disposing of the three Christmas trees at Clock Tower, Town Hall Square and Orton Square is as listed below:

	<u>2012-2013</u>	<u>2011-2012</u>	<u>2010-2011</u>
Elvenden Trees – (supply & delivery)	£11,366.50	£11,366.50	£11,728.20
Balfour Beatty (erect & decorate)	£8,289.51		
Balfour Beatty (remove & dispose)	£8,289.48		
ETDE (erect, decorate, remove & dispose)		£9,846.45	£9,311.07
Total	£27,945.49	£21,212.95	£21,039.27

- A copy of each invoice received / paid that is included in the above figures.**

We have attached the Elvenden and Balfour Beatty invoices for 2010/11, 2011/12 and 2012/13 for the purchase of the trees.

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

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

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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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