

## **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:**

**Now that white British is a minority ethnic group in Leicestershire will the council divert funds from other racially exclusive and faith exclusive groups?**

**How can the council justify giving £43,000 to the African/Caribbean Citizens just to have a forum (for e.g.) but not the English citizens?**

**Are these racially exclusive and faith exclusive groups instructed to be diverse and inclusive by inviting white English people to join their groups? If not, why not?**

**To ignore the white minority ethnic group is discriminatory and racist. Will the council actively ensure that the white ethnic minority of Leicester are protected and funded and allowed to create white-English groups and forums (all fully funded by the council)?**

**ANSWER:**

The Council does not hold this information. Therefore this letter acts as a refusal notice under section 17.1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 because, in accordance with section 1.1 of the Act, this information is not held by Leicester City Council.

Under the Act we are obliged to advise and assist. As such I have provided below, as per our previous response on this subject, links to our website that may help you to identify any information that we hold, that we can provide to you, as per the Freedom of Information Act 2004.

Council policy on funding has not been changed since publication of the 2011 census results. Details of funding given to community groups can be found at: <http://www.leicester.gov.uk/data/>.

The Council budget for 2013-15 is still out for consultation. Details of the proposals can be found at: <http://citymayor.leicester.gov.uk/welcome/budget-proposals-2013-15/>

If any of the above links help to identify information held, please contact us with a request and we will be happy to consider it.

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

**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](mailto: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](http://www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk)

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