

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:

The Transport budget for supported bus services was reduced as part of the overall budget decision a year ago. Please can you supply the full Equality Impact Assessment for this decision and for any resulting proposals to end or change specific supported bus routes.

ANSWER

While the decision to reduce the supported bus services budget was made in 2012, a final decision has yet to be made on the actual implementation of that decision. As such the Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) remains as published with the budget reduction consultation that took place prior to the Council agreeing the new budget. There is therefore no full EIA available at this stage as the Council does not hold this information.

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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

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