

## 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 2000 we would be grateful if you could review and provide us with any available information on Council owned Business, Innovation, Enterprise and Incubation Centres:**

- 1. Does the Council own any Business, Innovation, Enterprise or Incubation Centres aimed at supporting small to medium sized businesses and business start-ups? Can you please provide some supporting information or website link for the facilities?**

### ANSWER

Yes, the Council owns a number of facilities. Some are managed through the economic regeneration group, especially those that have specific regeneration / business sector specific objectives. They are LCB depot, Phoenix Square, Makers Yard and Leicester Business centre. One other scheme is on site. Others are managed by our commercial property services team. These are Vulcan House. Beaumont Leys Enterprise Centre and Linwood Workshops.. <http://www.leicester.gov.uk/business/business-support-advice/business-premises-workspaces/>

- 2. If yes to question 1, which of these centres are managed by the Council and which are managed by third party organisations?**

All managed by the council except DMU Innovation Centre which is managed by De Montfort University

- 3. If any centres are managed by third party organisations, please can you confirm when their management contract is due for renewal?**

The Innovation Centre is leased to DMU. Therefore the Council does not hold this information. 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.

- 4. Can you please provide the contact details of the person or council department responsible for the facilities listed in question 1?**

Mike Dalzell Head of Economic Regeneration ([mike.dalzell@leicester.gov.uk](mailto:mike.dalzell@leicester.gov.uk) 0116 252 6734) for the economic regeneration service facilities and for the for all property enquiries [property.shop@leicester.gov.uk](mailto:property.shop@leicester.gov.uk); Tel: 0116 252 8110. For Innovation Centre – [vwardle@dmu.ac.uk](mailto:vwardle@dmu.ac.uk) [www.dmu.ac.uk/businessservices](http://www.dmu.ac.uk/businessservices)

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