

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 am sending this request under the Freedom of Information Act to ask for the following information:

How many claims have you had from

- a) parents/children and**

- b) teachers for compensation after a personal injury on primary and secondary school premises in each of the past 6 years please provide a breakdown per year? This is for school years 2007-2008, 2008-2009, 2009-2010, 2010-2011, 2011-2012 , 2012-2013 for all answers please.**

Please state how many of these claims from

- a) parents/children and**

- b) teachers have been successful?**

Please state how much money has the local authority paid out in compensation to a) parents/children and b) teachers as a result of accidents on primary and secondary school property per year over the last 6 years?

ANSWER

Please see attached file 2013 07 29 Mole 3593 Attachment.

Please provide a copy of any specific policies regarding responsibility for claims and how quickly cases must be settled?

We do not have any specific policies, we follow the pre-action protocols for personal injury claims as set out in the Civil Procedure Rules. Please follow the below link.

http://www.justice.gov.uk/courts/procedure-rules/civil/protocol/prot_pic

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, as it is already in the public domain.

Please provide details of any education budget cuts that have been made as a result of these claims, if so please outline the scale of the cuts that you have had to implement?

There have been no cuts to the Education budget as a result of these claims as the payment for these claims come out of a centrally funded Insurance Fund.

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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: FOIA@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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