

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:

1. Whether the local authority had definitely secured sufficient places for every disadvantaged two year old who became eligible for free nursery education in September of this year (please answer with a 'Yes' or 'No').

Yes, we have met and exceeded our target number of 1,122 places being made available for eligible 2 year olds.

2. If the answer to Question 1 is 'No':

a. how many places the local authority were expected to secure by the Department for Education;

b. how many places the local authority had secured by 1 September, and;

c. when the local authority expects the target number of places to be met.

Not applicable

3. Whether the local authority expects to have secured a sufficient number of places for every two year old who will become eligible for free nursery education in September 2014.

We expect to secure our target number of 2,244 places being available from September 2014.

4. How much capital funding the local authority had allocated to childcare providers to increase capacity in pursuit of meeting its two year old offer target as of 1 September 2013.

As of 1st September 2013 we had allocated £0 capital funding to childcare providers as we were able to make available our target number of places within the existing capacity of the local childcare market. Plans are in place to allocate the funding in order to meet our target for September 2014.

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Information Governance Manager

Information and Support

Leicester City Council

FREEPOST (LE985/33)

New Walk Centre

LEICESTER LE1 6ZG

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

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Wycliffe House

Water Lane

Wilmslow SK9 5AF

Telephone: 01625 545 700

www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk

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