

Freedom of Information Act Request - Leicester City Information

Your request for information has now been considered and the Council's response to your questions is shown below.

You asked:

a) How many people are currently on the housing waiting list in your county?

As at 01/09/2013 there were 10,515 households on Leicester City Council's Housing Register.

For data relating to Leicestershire County, please write to them at foia@leics.gov.uk

b) How many empty properties there are in your county? (This includes council and private homes)

Again, we can only provide the figures for the City of Leicester, we do not have access to any figures from the County. Leicester City Council had 413 Void Council owned properties as at 31st August 2013.

At the end of August 2013 our council tax records showed a total of 5,191 properties as vacant across the city. These are of all descriptions and tenures. However some 45% of these had been vacant for less than six months, possibly being sold; renovated; between lets; etc.

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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: 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

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