

## **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 would like to request the following information from your child safeguarding team/board with regards to Serious Case Reviews:**

**1. How many Serious Case Reviews have you carried out in the last five years?**

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**2. How many have been into child abuse and neglect? And can you give details and dates of those?**

All cases. The Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB) must undertake a serious case review (SCR) when:

abuse or neglect of a child is known or suspected; and either - (i) the child has died; or (ii) the child has been seriously harmed and there is cause for concern as to the way in which the authority, their Board partners or other relevant persons have worked together to safeguard the child.

**3. How much money have you spent on Serious Case Reviews in the last five years?**

The Council does not hold this information. Therefore 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.

Leicester Safeguarding Children Board is a statutory body in its own right, distinct from the city council. It is not a public authority for the purposes of the Act.

**4. What recommendations changes have been made as a result of the Serious Case Reviews in the last five years?**

All Serious Case Reviews and their recommendations are published on the following website:

[http://www.nspcc.org.uk/Inform/resourcesforprofessionals/scrs/serious\\_case\\_reviews\\_2013\\_wda94557.html](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/Inform/resourcesforprofessionals/scrs/serious_case_reviews_2013_wda94557.html)

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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](mailto:info-requests@leicester.gov.uk)

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**Wycliffe House**  
**Water Lane**  
**Wilmslow SK9 5AF**  
**Telephone: 01625 545 700**  
[www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk](http://www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk)

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