## **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:

To clarify my second question, I am asking if you have any plans to join up your IT systems and processes for Health and Social Care. Some Councils have incorporated health with social care, with social workers working under health in some cases. Any details you can provide would be appreciated.

We are currently working with the NHS with regards to the conditions of the national Better Care Fund on data sharing, including the use of the NHS number across the health and social care system. This will require an IT solution to link the social care database and the NHS 'spine', for very specific data sharing related to the NHS number. We are working towards this during the next financial year.

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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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Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow SK9 5AF Telephone: 01625 545 700 www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk

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