

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – single homeless households

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

You asked:

“We are conducting research which seeks to examine the experiences of single homeless households who seek assistance from their local authority. We plan to compare experiences across Great Britain and between local authorities. The first stage of the research is to gather key data that local authorities hold on single homelessness but do not necessarily report to national governments. Later stages of the research will explore experiences of homeless people and the perceptions of homelessness managers in a more qualitative manner.

We would be immensely grateful if you would respond to the FoI request attached.”

Answer:

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, i.e. on the Department for Communities and Local Government website.

Local Authorities have to provide figures (P1E) on the activity within their area in relation to the homelessness functions on a quarterly basis to central government who make this available in a public document.

Live stats from the P1E returns for all councils can be found at:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistical-data-sets/live-tables-on-homelessness>

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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
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