

## **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:**

**Section 444 of the 1996 Education Act and subsequent amendments give statutory powers to local education authorities to ensure that children attend school and are given an education. I am interested in the number of attendance penalty notices that have been issued since 31/08/13 to date and the number of these penalty notices that relate to students from private fee paying schools and those penalty notices that relate to students from public sector schools.**

2,201 Penalty Notices were issued in the period – none were issued in respect of students from private schools (and legally they cannot be issued in respect of private school pupils).

**I am aware of s12, Freedom of Information Act 2000 and the £450 cost ceiling and ask the request be expanded to any penalty notices issued between 01/09/12-31/08/13 be included if this does not breach the £450 cost limit.**

2,728 Penalty Notices were issued in this period.

The legislation allows you to use the information supplied for your own personal use, or for journalistic purposes. If the information is a dataset (which does not relate to the environment), you may also use the information for commercial re-use under an [Open Government Licence](#).

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](mailto: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.

You may also seek independent advice from the Information Commissioner at:

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

Please be aware that the Information Commissioner does not normally consider requests until the internal appeals process of the Council has been exhausted. You are therefore advised to appeal to the Information Governance Manager before contacting the Commissioner.