

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Successful School Appeals

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

You asked:

- In last 5 years how many appeals were being successful for Rushey Mead School for children outside the catchment area**

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- In last 5 years how many children from Hamilton area were being offered Rushey Mead School either directly or through appeal process**

For the last 5 years, transferring into Year 7 to Rushey Mead School and living in the Hamilton catchment area:

Year	Number
2009/10	14
2010/11	12
2011/12	8
2012/13	6
2013/14	7
2014/15	5

For the last 2 years, transferring to the school 'in year', i.e. moving to the school at some point during the school term and living in the Hamilton catchment area:

Year	Number
2012/13	2
2013/14	2

The Council does not hold figures of the numbers transferring in year to Rushey Mead School and living in the Hamilton catchment area prior to the academic year 2012/13. 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.

- What reasons/circumstances have been successful for appeals to Rushey Mead**

For your information this constitutes a refusal notice under Section 17.1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. We are therefore withholding the information as it is personal data and was provided in confidence and is therefore an absolute exemption under sections 40(2) (personal data) and section 41 (information provided in confidence) of the Freedom of information Act 2000. In all cases where appeals are upheld it is because the panel believes the prejudice to the child of not getting a place at the school outweighs the prejudice to the school of having to take the child. Every case is different and is also confidential.

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

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

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.