

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:

- 1. The total cost of the development to be known as 'Jubilee Square' itemised to show**
 - a. the cost of the gardens**
 - b. the cost of the paved areas**
 - c. the cost of changing the pre-existing highway arrangements with particular reference to the works on Highcross Street junction with Vaughan Way**

ANSWER:

We do not know the total cost of any element of the scheme until the contractor and client have formalised and agreed the final account for the works. This will not happen until completion of the construction works.

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.

- 2. The sources of funding and their respective values.**

The funding budget is £4M, this is split between Council's capital programme and ERDF (European Regional Development Fund). The ERDF is up to £1.7M, however the actual amount of ERDF drawn down by the Council will not be known until all work is complete and final eligible costs are agreed. This will be post completion of the construction contract.

- 3. The minutes of the Council meetings or any other meeting or discussion pertaining to the choices of this development and any other developments that were considered with a view to unlocking EU funding.**

Reports attached relating to Jubilee square and other ERDF projects:

- Leicester Market Phase 2 – 30 January 2014
- Leicester Food Park – 12 November 2013
- Cathedral Gardens (2) – 14 October 2013
- Delivery of Enterprising Leicester Grant/Inward Investment Project (10 October 2013)
- Broadband and the County Programme (Digital Leicester) – 27 September 2013
- 3D City Model – 13 September 2013
- Jubilee Square Capital Budget Requirement – 4 July 2013
- Cathedral Gardens (1) – 3 April 2013

Some personal information has been removed. Leicester City Council only releases the names of its Heads of Service and above on requests.

We are withholding that information since we consider that to be an absolute exemption under section 40(2) (personal data), and this therefore constitutes a refusal under section 17 of the Freedom of information Act 2000.

4. The minutes of the Council meetings or any other meeting or discussion which led to the choice of name 'Jubilee Square'.

There is no formal requirement for the naming of a street, space or monument to be subject to executive decision powers. The decision to name Jubilee Square was taken by the City Mayor and announced to coincide with the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Visit to the City in March 2012. There are no reports relating to this decision.

5. To disclose the nature and number of complaints made by traders which have been lodged in consequence of the works and also the change in traffic arrangements.

In total we have received 21 complaints from traders relating to construction works and changed traffic arrangements at Jubilee Square. Please see spreadsheet attached.

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.

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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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