

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Business Rates

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

You asked:

“Please provide me with the following information for each commercial property in your area

- 1. Name of Ratepayer**
- 2. Address of property**
- 3. VOA Billing Authority Reference Number (BA reference)**
- 4. 2010 rating list value £**
- 5. Type of Relief granted for 2012/13 i.e. None or Mandatory, Discretionary, Empty property, SBRR).**

And if it's possible without too much time or expense being incurred

- 6. Occupancy date for Current Ratepayer**
- 7. Local Authority Account Number**

Note to information compiler.

I would like to be as flexible as possible in terms of your response to this request and am happy to modify its scope if it will reduce your costs and time taken in compiling the response.

The objective of this request is to identify the occurrence and distribution of rates reliefs or the absence of reliefs in your district and accordingly point 2 and 5 are the key elements of this request.

Some authorities find difficulty in identifying properties that classify as “none” in point 5 as their systems can only extract information that does exist rather than that which has a null value. If this is the case I am perfectly happy to receive a list(s) of properties that do have reliefs and another of all properties in your area. From this I could then compile my own statistics for those who would have had “none” in answer to point 5.”

Answer:

[Please see the attached spreadsheet](#)

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.

[Enc. 2014 05 12 5608 spreadsheet](#)