

## 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:

**I'm trying to undertake a small piece of research on the demographics of Leicestershire and would like to gain access to information relating to disability in both Leicester and the wider County.**

- **Numbers of people with Learning disability, physical disability and poor mental health**

Number of people, aged 18 and over, who received a service (Community Based or in Residential Care) from us during the period 1st April 2013 to 31st March 2014 by primary client type breakdown is as follows:

- Learning Disability – 1047
- Physical Disability – 4747
- Mental Health – 2349

- **Expenditure on care homes / supported living**

Expenditure on Independent Res Care for 2013/14 is £34.9 million

Expenditure on Independent Supported Living for 2013/14 is £11.9 million

- **Numbers of disabled people that have access to personal budgets**

Number of people, aged 18 and over, who had access to personal budget or a direct payment (those in receipt of Community Based Services) in the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2013 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014 is as follows:

- Learning Disability – 766
- Physical Disability – 2967
- Mental Health - 1145

- **Figures relating to carers – hours given, numbers of carers, ages etc**

Section 12 of the Act makes provision for public authorities to refuse requests for information where the cost of dealing with them would exceed the appropriate limit, which for local government is set at £450. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending more than 18 hours in determining whether the department holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting the information.

In order to answer your request we would need to manually trawl through all open cases to identify the relevant cohort; we would then need to drill down into each record identified in order to gather the case specific information you've requested.

This is therefore a Refusal Notice under section 17.1 of the Freedom of Information Act, because under the provisions of section 12.1 of the Act, the Council estimates that to comply with your request in its current form will exceed the appropriate limit.

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**  
**Leicester City Council**  
**Bosworth House**  
**Ground Floor**  
**9 – 15 Princess Road West**  
**LEICESTER LE1 6TH**  
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.