

## **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:**

**Please could you confirm whether or not you have any zoos operating in your area and, if so, please could you provide me with the name and (if applicable) any dispensation that has been granted to the zoo (for example, under s.14 of the Zoo Licensing Act 1981 or s. 4 of the Zoo Licensing Regulations for Northern Ireland).**

**For any zoos which have been granted a dispensation under zoo licensing regulations, please could you let me know the date when the zoo's dispensation status was assessed to ensure that it is still relevant.**

**For every zoo for which such information is held, please could you provide me with the following for a period beginning the 1st January 2008 and ending 1st July 2014**

- a. Current and historic zoo licences (including any conditions attached to the licences)**
- b. All zoo inspection reports (formal, informal and special)**
- c. Any available pre-inspection audits**
- d. All animal stocklists held by the council**
- e. Any correspondence between the zoo and the local authority with regard to licensing**
- f. Copies of any "Directions" issued to the zoo under ss. 16 – 16C of the Zoo Licensing Act 1981 or ss. 17 – 19 of the Zoo Licensing Regulations for Northern Ireland for failure to comply with licence conditions**

**In addition, if any of the zoos also hold licences under the Pet Animals Act 1951 (England, Wales, Scotland only), please could you provide me with (for the same period as above):**

- a. Current and historic pet shop licences (including any conditions attached to the licence)**
- b. All inspection reports**

**ANSWER:**

**For your information this letter constitutes a refusal notice under Section 17.1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 because an exemption under Section 21 of the Act is being applied, namely the information is accessible by other means, e.g. the Council Website.**

**Please click on the link below:-**

<http://www.leicester.gov.uk/your-council-services/council-and-democracy/data-protection-and-foi/freedom-of-information/foia-disclosure-log/?entryid81=96778&q=0%7ezoo%7e>

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 Governance Team**  
**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.