

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. How many vehicles does the council operate?

ANSWER: 786

Please provide figures for:

a) The number of cars.

55

b) The number of vans under 3.5 tonnes.

561

c) The number of vehicles above 3.5 tonnes.

170

2. Are these vehicles leased or owned outright by the council?

All the vehicles are owned.

3. How many employees do you reimburse for using their own vehicle for work purposes – so-called grey fleet drivers for the last financial year 2013/14?

2536 employees received mileage payments in 2013/14

4. Do you pay a lump sum (an essential user allowance) to any of the employees who drive their own vehicle for work purposes?

No

5. If so:

a) How much is the lump sum?

b) How many employees qualify for it?

c) How often is it paid?

d) What are the conditions for receiving it, such as annual minimum mileage?

Not Applicable

6. What pence per mile rate do you pay employees who drive their own vehicle in the course of their job? Please explain how these rates may differ according to annual mileages driven or whether the recipient is classed as an essential user?

HMRC approved mileage rate, is currently 45p/mile, in all cases. An additional 2p per passenger per mile is paid where the passenger is a Leicester City Council employee and the journey is beyond the Leicestershire boundary.

7. Have you recently reviewed how you reimburse employees who drive their own vehicles for work? If so, what changes have you implemented?

Yes. Current policy implemented 14 January 2014 as per Q6. Previously essential and casual user rates were paid in accordance with NJC conditions of service.

8. Are you in the process of reviewing how you reimburse employees who drive their own vehicles for work? If so, what changes are you considering?

No

9. What was your total expenditure, including essential user allowances and mileage reimbursement, on grey fleet mileage during the last financial year (2013/14)?

£1,640,127 was paid in mileage and allowances in 2013/14.

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**Information Governance Manager
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Wycliffe House
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