

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 answer the following question in relation to your authority's use of the provisions under the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act during the 2011 calendar year (1.1.11 to 31.12.11).

In how many cases was there EITHER an application for directed surveillance or the acquisition of communications data (phone number subscriber details) made? Please give a brief summary of the circumstances surrounding each case.

Figures for 2011 have not been compiled for publishing yet. We are expecting them to be uploaded by the end of this financial year (on the condition that the investigations are complete at this time) and therefore this information is exempt as it is intended for future publication in line with S22 of the Act. This letter acts as S17 refusal notice in respect of this part of your request.

In how many of these cases was a staff member of your authority the subject of EITHER an application for directed surveillance or the acquisition of communications data (phone number subscriber details)? Please give a brief summary of the circumstances surrounding each case

Leicester City Council has never used a RIPA investigation on a staff member.

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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: FOIA@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 can also complain to the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner's Office

Wycliffe House

Water Lane

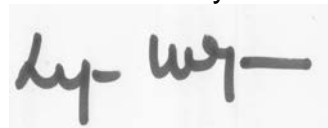
Wilmslow SK9 5AF

Telephone: 01625 545 700

www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk

Please be aware that the Information Commissioner does not normally consider appeals or complaints until the internal appeals and complaints processes of the public authority which is answering the request have been exhausted. You are therefore advised to complain or appeal to the Information Governance Manager before contacting the Commissioner.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lynn Wyeth', is written on a light-colored rectangular background.

Lynn Wyeth

Information Governance Manager