

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 - CCTV

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

You asked:

I am writing to obtain information about the amount your authority has spent on its CCTV network in the past four years. I also wish to find out how many mobile and fixed surveillance cameras are controlled by your authority.

I am requesting:

The amount spent by your authority on the installation of public-facing CCTV cameras and the purchase or lease of recording equipment and premises in the financial years:

- a) April 1st 2010 – March 31st 2011**
- b) April 1st 2009 – March 31st 2010**
- c) April 1st 2008 – March 31st 2009**

If any of this spend was provided by a central Government grant or PFI, please make clear how much of the total cost was provided. I would like this information broken down into fixed and mobile camera devices. I have included a model table for clarity:

Council	Financial Year	Amount Spent on Fixed public facing camera	Amount Spent on mobile public facing cameras	Central Government Grant or PFI	Total Council Spend on cameras
Council	2010 - 2011	£65000			£65000
Council	2009 - 2010	£282052			£282052
Council	2008 - 2009	£78045			£78045

[Leicester City Council does not have any mobile cameras. All are fixed to poles when in operation. The increase in costs in 2009-10 included £149,000 funding from Leicestershire County Council for the joint venture for Enderby Park & Ride \(City and County 50/50 split\)](#)

The annual cost of your authority's public-facing CCTV operation and maintenance in the financial years:

- a) April 1st 2010 – March 31st 2011**
- b) April 1st 2009 – March 31st 2010**
- c) April 1st 2008 – March 31st 2009**

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Council	Financial Year	Annual cost of CCTV operation and maintenance for fixed cameras	Annual cost of CCTV operation and maintenance for mobile cameras	Total council spend on CCTV operation and maintenance
Council	2010 - 2011	£814000	£0	£814000
	2009 - 2010	£812835	£0	£812835
	2008 - 2009	£847589	£0	£847589

The annual wage and salary cost of CCTV operators including pension liabilities to your authority in the financial years:

- a) April 1st 2010 – March 31st 2011 - £365,000
- b) April 1st 2009 – March 31st 2010 - £368,716.34
- c) April 1st 2008 – March 31st 2009 - £348,298.60

The total number of cameras:

- a) controlled by your authority on 31st August 2011

Estimated total number of cameras as of that date:

Housing	434
Leisure Centres	106
Property	560
Schools	812
Traffic Management	<u>171</u>
	<u>2083</u>

- b) controlled by your authority, broken down into mobile and fixed devices, on 31st August 2011

LCC does not have any mobile cameras. See answer above for fixed camera numbers.

- c) If it exists, a copy of any internal guidance on CCTV usage

Answer: Please see attached

[AnsAttch1 Code Of Practice March 2011 all RH&T Sites.doc](#)

[AnsAttch2 Code Of Conduct March 2011.doc](#)

2. If your authority's public-facing CCTV operation is operated by either the local police or another council, or on behalf of another authority, please make this clear and provide any details of the annual cost of the lease or annual stipend paid to (or received from) these organisations for the operation of the CCTV network.

N/A

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed 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

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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 Information Governance Manager before contacting the Commissioner.

Yours sincerely

Lynn Wyeth
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