

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 - Celebrities & Personalities

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

You asked:

- 1. Details of all arrangements made with "celebrities" and "personalities" – for example, but not exclusively, actors, musicians and presenters – to carry out public duties on behalf of the authority, to represent the authority, to perform for staff, etc, from January 2010 to the present.**
- 2. I would like the response to include details of the individual or group engaged, the duties performed and/or events attended and the amounts paid by the authority. I would particularly like the details to include arrangements for switching on Christmas lights in 2010 and 2011.**

Please find attached a spreadsheet which details all celebrities and personalities who have performed at Council functions in 2010 and 2011.

The precise payments to individuals and individual acts are exempt under s40(2) - personal data, and s43 - commercially sensitive and this is a refusal under s17 of the Act for that information. We have however totalled the amount spent per event in order to be as transparent as possible on our spending without breaching the Data Protection Act or commercial confidentiality.

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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

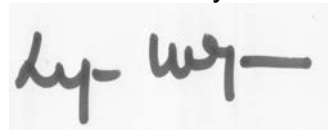
Wilmslow SK9 5AF

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 over a light grey rectangular background.

Lynn Wyeth

Information Governance Manager