

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 tell me how many schools in your area have police officers regularly at the school's site? Please give the total number of schools which had a police presence every year for the last four academic years (i.e. 2007/'08, 2008/'09, 2009/'10, 2010/'11).

If possible, it would be useful also to have the names of the schools. However, if this is not possible that is fine.

NB: police presence at schools should be defined as any regular assistance given by police (including community support officers etc.) for dealing with pupils, e.g. in the playground or to assist with pupils leaving the school at the end of the day. It should not include incidents where police were called to the school as a one-off, but only where there is regular agreement between the school and the police. Purposes of police presence could be, but are not limited to, controlling pupils' behaviour, ensuring that pupils are not carrying drugs or knives, preventing bullying, helping to get large numbers of pupils on to buses at the end of the day, etc.

Leicester City Council does not hold this information. This letter acts as a refusal notice under section 17.1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 because, in accordance with section 1.1 of the Act, the information is not held. Please contact individual schools directly, alternatively, Leicestershire Constabulary may hold the information.

The link below takes you directly to the schools directory:

<http://www.leicester.gov.uk/your-council-services/education-lifelong-learning/about-schools/schools-directory/schools-directory/>

School ward, head teacher, telephone, e mail etc. is available by clicking on the link for each school.

Contact details for Leicestershire Constabulary:

Data Protection and Information Security section
Leicestershire Constabulary
Force Headquarters
St John's
Enderby
Leicester LE19 2BX

Telephone (0116) 222 2222 ext. 5222
Fax (0116) 248 5217

You may also submit electronic requests to Leicestershire Constabulary via the following web page:

http://www.leics.police.uk/freedom/8_how_to_obtain_information/ .

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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

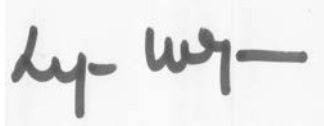
Your request for internal review should be submitted to the above address within 40 (forty) working days of receipt by you of this response. Any such request received after this time will only be considered at the Council's absolute discretion.

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 on a light-colored background. The signature is stylized and appears to read "Lynn Wyeth".

Lynn Wyeth
Information Governance Manager