

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) Please can you tell me what proportion of your social care service users are on direct payments, and what proportion are on individualised budgets, and how this has changed over the last 5 years.

Please see table called "Service User take up of Direct Payments and Personal Budgets" attached as Appendix A.

2) Please can you tell me if you are aware of any direct payments or individualised budgets recipients are in long term residential care. (I know direct payments can't be used for paying for long term residential care, but can be used for residents to pay for 121, annual holiday etc.)

There are 2 individuals in residential care who are in receipt of direct payments.

People in residential care are not currently offered personal budgets for the additional support that they may receive outside of the care home. (However, please note that one of the 2 identified service users above is in receipt of a personal budget. This is because they are in a residential care home for reasons other than to meet their social care needs. Their social care needs are therefore being met in the community through a personal budget).

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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

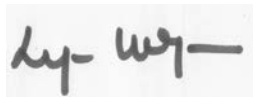
Wilmslow SK9 5AF

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 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