

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:

How many people employed by the council have been made redundant since January 2010? What roles were they in?

ANSWER:

619 people were made redundant since January 2010, of which 218 were from schools.

See attachment for the specific roles.

How much did each of them receive in redundancy packages?

Redundancy packages for individuals are exempt under S40 of the Freedom of Information Act as they could be identified by their role and redundancy pay. This therefore constitutes a refusal under section 17 of the Freedom of information Act 2000.

Have any of them since been rehired by the council after being made redundant? If so in what role did they return?

Section 12 of the Act makes provision for public authorities to refuse requests for information where the cost of dealing with them would exceed the appropriate limit, which for local government is set at £450. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending more than 18 hours in determining whether the department holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting the information.

We estimate it will take in excess of 51 hours to process your request. This is calculated at 5 minutes per file from the total of 619 files.

This is therefore a Refusal Notice under section 17.1 of the Freedom of Information Act, because under the provisions of section 12.1 of the Act, the Council estimates that to comply with your request in its current form will exceed the appropriate limit.

What were they paid in that role? (per day, pro rata or whatever the financial agreement).

We can confirm that we also hold what the employees' were paid. However we are withholding that information since we consider that to be an absolute exemption under section 40(2) (personal data), and this therefore constitutes a refusal under section 17 of the Freedom of information Act 2000.

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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

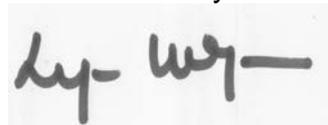
Wilmslow SK9 5AF

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



Lynn Wyeth

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