

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:

In the questions below, "third sector" is defined as all non-profit, charitable, community organisations, social enterprise or voluntary organisations.

1) Please can you list the third sector services and/or projects across all departments that your council commissions, awards grants and/or provides contracts for, that are targeted at or primarily used by women?

2) Please can you list the third sector services and/or projects across all departments that your council commissions, awards grants and/or provides contracts for, that are targeted at or primarily used by men?

3) Please can you list the amount of funding provided across all departments by your council over each of the last five financial years, or the nearest dates possible, to each of the commissioned, grant-awarded and / or contracted third sector services and/or projects that are targeted at or primarily used by women?

4) Please can you list the amount of funding provided across all departments by your council over each of the last five financial years, or the nearest dates possible, to each of the commissioned, grant-awarded and / or contracted third sector services and/or projects that are targeted at or primarily used by men?

5) If this break down is not possible, please could you provide me with the total amount of funding provided by your council over each of the last five financial years, or the nearest dates possible, to commissioned, grant-awarded and / or contracted third sector services and/or projects that are targeted at or primarily used by men and women respectively?

To respond to your request we would need to contact each non-profit, charity, community organisation, social enterprise or voluntary organisation (over 350) and establish if services were targeted at or primarily used by women/men or men and women respectively.

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.

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.

The Council does not hold this information. Therefore 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, this information is not held by Leicester City Council. Please contact the individual charity, community organisation, social enterprise or voluntary organisation directly.

6) Please can you tell me, of those third sector services and/or projects that are used by both men and women, for each service what percentage or numbers of users are men and what percentage or numbers of users are women?

The Council does not hold this information. Therefore 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, this information is not held by Leicester City Council. Please contact the individual charity, community organisation, social enterprise or voluntary organisation directly.

7) Please can you provide me with a full list of the names of all the third sector organisations commissioned, grant-awarded and / or contracted across all departments by your council over each of the last five financial years, or the nearest dates possible?

The information you have requested is published on our website, please use the attached link. The document you require is under the Finance section: Voluntary, Community & Social Enterprise Grants. This details the individual contracts across all services. It also provides the start and end date of each contract and the annual value.

<http://www.leicester.gov.uk/about-us/data/#Finance>

8) Does your council have a dedicated men's worker or officer, or equivalent and how much are they paid?

No

9) Does your council have a dedicated women's worker or officer, or equivalent and how much are they paid?

No

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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

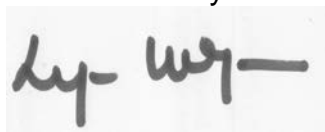
Your request for internal review should be submitted to the above address within 40 (forty) working days of receipt by you of this response. Any such request received after this time will only be considered at the Council's absolute discretion.

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



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