

## **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 some one explain why there are new vending machines in the Aylestone Leisure centre, and why the prices have been raised on average of 15pence for a chocolate bar.**

**ANSWER**

The prices are set and controlled by the vending machine suppliers. The centre has no control over this area.

**This does question do we need a junk food machine when Leicester has a high rate of obesity and type 2 diabetes.**

Part of the agreement with the contractor is to ensure 15% of the vending machine stock is made up of healthy option products.

**If as I suspect these are now contracted out facilities, where the staff within the centre incapable of filling and restocking the machines?**

As part of the efficiency saving, a number of staff have left the Council leaving it no longer viable to continue staff filling these machines.

**Are there new machines at all the Leicester city leisure facilities?**

Yes, the contract covers the whole of the city.

**What was the total cost of the change over?**

There was nil cost to the City Council for bringing in new suppliers.

**What is the contract cost verses in house cost and who made the decision to change?**

A proposal was put to the Assistant Mayor with a recommendation by the Head of Service, which was agreed. There was no cost to the service.

General Comment. There are refunds systems in place and access is available via the reception.

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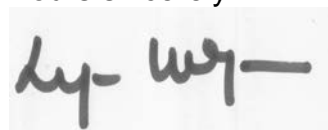
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Yours sincerely



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