

## **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:**

**I was wondering if you could provide me with the information below for the overpayment recovery audit which was carried out by third party organisation for the council:**

#### **1. What was the amount recovered?**

The work is still ongoing. To date a sum of £104,558 has been recovered.

#### **2. What was the scope of the audit?**

Accounts payable payments up to March 31<sup>st</sup> 2011. The recoveries are made from 2 principal sources:

- Duplicate or over payments
- Failure to record and recover recoverable VAT.

#### **3. Name of the third party organisation?**

Meridien Cost Benefit – Recovery audit

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**Head of Information Governance**  
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**LEICESTER LE1 6ZG**  
e-mail: [foia@leicester.gov.uk](mailto:foia@leicester.gov.uk)

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**Wycliffe House**

**Water Lane**

**Wilmslow SK9 5AF**

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Yours sincerely

**Lynn Wyeth**

**Head of Information Governance**