

## **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:**

**Has the Leicester City Council seen detailed plans of the proposed scheme for the property?**

**ANSWER:**

No.

**Has the Leicester City Council clarified that the preferred bidder has a viable proposal?**

Not as yet.

**Has the preferred bidder entered into a contract for the lease of the property? If no, please state the reasons why?**

No. This is because both the preferred bidder and LCC are establishing whether or not the proposal is viable.

**What date did the Leicester City Council last have contact with the preferred bidder?**

The Property Division of LCC last had contact with the preferred bidder on 04/04/12. The parties have regular contact with each other which often results in a dialogue occurring on a weekly basis.

**Has the Leicester City Council carried out any surveys on the property? If yes, please provide the dates they were carried out on.**

Yes. Roof surveys were carried out between 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> February 2012.

**Has the preferred bidder carried out his own surveys on the property?**

A survey is currently being organised by the preferred bidder.

**What is the current market value of the property, in its current condition?**

The recent marketing of the Hall has not resulted in any positive financial offers and in fact financial support has been requested.

**Where is it anticipated the funding will come from?**

Funding for the refurbishment of the Hall is proposed to be sought from a mix of the Council's capital programme, the bidder's own funds and bank finance.

**Will the Leicester City Council be undertaking any restoration works themselves to the property? If yes, what works will be undertaken?**

Such details have not yet been decided.

**Please provide x1 estimated cost/quote for a 1.8 metre-high "Steel Palisade fencing" to be erected around the perimeter of the entire site.**

No such quote has been sought, therefore 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.

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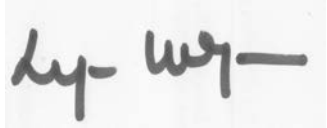
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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink on a light-colored background. The signature appears to be 'Lynn Wyeth' written in a cursive, slightly stylized font.

**Lynn Wyeth**  
**Information Governance Manager**