

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 (FOI)

Please accept my apologies for the delay in responding to your request for information. It was necessary to consult with several elected members to establish if any information was held in response to your request.

You asked for: **'copies of any emails, letters or any correspondence between the Rob Wann investigation standards committee councillors and David Maclean of the Leicester Mercury.'**

Under the FOI Act we only have to release information that is **'held on behalf of the Council'**. Correspondence or information held by a councillor for their own private, political or representative purposes (e.g. constituents' casework, political Group work) is not deemed as held for the purpose of the FOI Act.

The relevant elected members have confirmed that they do not hold any of the information you have requested under the FOI Act. This is therefore information not held by Leicester City Council.

For your information, if any correspondence had been held which had been received from Mr. MacLean, this would be exempt from release under s40(2) of the FOI Act - personal data.

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
Information Governance Manager