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 let us know how much the council is currently spending on offsite storage of archive boxes.

ANSWER:

The site Leicester City Council uses for storage is one of our buildings, called Pilot House, which is centrally located, near to most of our administration buildings. The costs per annum are £15,000.

Please let us know how much the council is currently spending on transportation and retrievals of these documents.

Our storage facility is located centrally and teams would retrieve their own information. This would not be recorded and so 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 let us know how much the council is currently spending on internal postal services.

During 2011/12 the central Post Room based in Pilot House, spent the following amounts on both internal and external postal services -

Employees = £ 119,038.77
Premises Related Expenditure = £ 11,627.56
Transport Related Expenditure = £ 14,282.63
Supplies & Services = £ 33,181.36
Total = £178,130.32

Please let us know how many office locations and how big the council estate is.

There are 17 Centrally Located Administration Buildings (CLABs) locations and approximately 48,556m²

Finally please let us know how much of this estate is allocated to storage of archive documents.

Approximately 2,787m² of this estate is allocated to storage of archive documents.

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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

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