

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:

Under the Freedom Of Information, please can you respond to the following questions:

- 1. What was authorities spend on Consultancy Services for financial year 2011/2012?**

ANSWER

£312,659.68

- 2. Reference the above, who were the top 5 suppliers for consultancy services, please include the following:**

"« Total spend with each of the top 5 suppliers?

"« What was their role i.e. Transformation, Advisory capacity (in what area) etc?

Capita £253,335.98 - Strategic Procurement Partner

Grant Thornton £59,323.70. Advisory

Note, we have only used two suppliers for Consultancy Services

- 3. Apart from OJEU, where else does the authority advertise procurement opportunities?**

SourceLeicestershire, local press, trade journals, via partners

- 4. In accordance with your financial regulations, what are the thresholds below OJEU where the authority advertises procurement opportunities?**

At present, full tenders are run above £50k. Leicester City Council is now seeking to advertise all opportunities, above £1k on SourceLeicestershire

- 5. What current tendering opportunities is the authority advertising at this moment in time?**

The information is exempt under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), because the information is accessible to you, as it is already in the public domain.

See SourceLeicestershire, www.sourceleicestershire.co.uk for all 'live' opportunities

6. Do you have your own procurement centre?

Procurement is currently decentralised, with a Corporate Procurement Team at the centre

If so,

7. Please supply the contact details for your Procurement Manager?

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8. What is the size of your procurement team

The Corporate Procurement Team has 9 FTE's

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Leicester City Council
FREEPOST (LE985/33)
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LEICESTER LE1 6ZG

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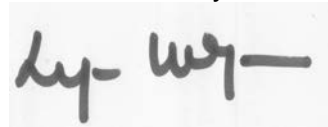
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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lynn Wyeth', written on a light-colored rectangular background.

Lynn Wyeth

Information Governance Manager