

## **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:**

**Olympic Torch Run**

**How much did it cost for the City Council for the following.**

**Torch trial run 20<sup>th</sup> April 2012?**

**Torch actual runs 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2012 & 4<sup>th</sup> July 2012?**

### **ANSWER**

The cost of delivering the Torch Relay Dress Rehearsal in April 2012 was £13,194.00. This was a national event organised by the London Organising Committee of the Olympic Games (LOCOG) to test all logistics before the Olympic Torch arrived in the UK. Leicester and Leicestershire were chosen because these locations enabled LOCOG to test the Torch Run in a variety of settings.

The cost to deliver the Torch Relay and Evening Celebration at Abbey Park in July 2012 was £109,034.00 with £9,800.00 generated in income, meaning an actual cost to the Council of £99,234.00.. These costs include some estimates where final figures are not yet available.

The cost to host the Olympic 2012 Sports Fest, marking the arrival of the Paralympic Flame in the city in August 2012, was £33,898.00. However £35,000.00 of income through external funding was received for this event, so there was nil cost to the Council.

**How many police officers?**

**Full time?**

**Special constables?**

**For how long were the local constabulary involved on actual Olympic torch duty on.**

**20<sup>th</sup> April 2012?**

**3<sup>rd</sup> July 2012?**

**4<sup>th</sup> July 2012?**

**The cost of policing on each of the above dates?**

**How many police cars and motorcycles were involved on each day?**

The Council does not hold this information, you would need to contact Leicestershire Constabulary directly. Therefore this part of 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.

**A number of banners (various designs) have been erected in the city with regards to the Olympic Games could you tell me,**

**How many different types/designs of banners are displayed in the City?**

**How long are the banners being displayed?**  
**How many hours did it take to erect the banners?**  
**How many personal were used to erect the banners?**  
**The total cost of the banners?**  
**Total cost to put up the banners?**

The banners on street lampposts were in place from June 2012 to the week commencing 10<sup>th</sup> September 2012 and not just during the two days of the Olympic Torch Relay. There were 10 different banner designs displayed. It took between 2/3 days to erect all of the banners with varying numbers of personnel. The total cost of all 96 banners was £18,624.00 which included production, installation and removal. However these specific costs were paid from LOCOG funding.

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