

## **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:**

**Why cannot Humberstone Village be identified by Road Signage?**

**ANSWER**

Please see the following explanation as to why the "Humberstone Village" cannot be identified by traffic signs.

1. "Humberstone Village" is not a defined geographical or administrative area. It has no specified boundary. In effect it is a generally accepted but ill-defined area within the City boundary. The fact that "Village" forms part of the name does not mean that it is a village in any administrative sense. There are many other areas within the city boundary that fall into the same category, such as "West End" or "North Evington". However, the only defined boundary within Leicester is the City boundary itself.
2. Traffic signs are governed under various acts of parliament and their design and installation on the highway falls under the Traffic Signs Regulations & General Directions 2002. Any sign not abiding by this legislation is deemed to be an obstruction on the highway.
3. The boundary signs allowed under the Traffic Signs Regulations & General Directions 2002 can only be installed immediately ahead of a town, village or council boundary. "Humberstone Village" has no such boundary.
4. A direction signing scheme to "Humberstone Village" cannot be installed because there will be no indication of when the destination is reached. So this is likely to be impractical and confusing and therefore detrimental to road safety.

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**Information Governance Manager**

**Information and Support**

**Leicester City Council**

**FREEPOST (LE985/33)**

**New Walk Centre**

**LEICESTER LE1 6ZG**

e-mail: [info.requests@leicester.gov.uk](mailto:info.requests@leicester.gov.uk)

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**Information Commissioner's Office**

**Wycliffe House**

**Water Lane**

**Wilmslow SK9 5AF**

**Telephone: 01625 545 700**

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