



REFUSAL NOTICE

For request for information under the FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION REGULATIONS 2004

Request Number	FOI/2010/819
Name of Applicant:	Mr Hodder
Address:	'request-271xxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx'
Post Code:	
Date of Enquiry:	18 January 2010
Deadline:	15 February 2010

Details of request:
<p>The Council has taken the decision to amalgamate your two requests relating to Glastonbury Festival which are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Please supply me with any documents/emails etc relating to the Glastonbury Festival 2009, from the first day of the festival right up to the present day. I am particularly interested in documents such as the 2007 debrief that you have on your website, but my request is not exclusive to that. ▪ 2010-2016 licence application ▪ Any supporting documents produced by the Festival ▪ Any emails or documents relating to the licence application produced by Mendip Council.

Exemptions Applied
<p>Section 31(1)(a) – the disclosure of the information requested would be likely to prejudice the prevention of crime</p> <p>Section 41 – the information was obtained by the Council from other persons and its disclosure would constitute a breach of confidence actionable by those persons</p> <p>Section 42 – The information is subject to legal and professional privilege</p> <p>Section 43 – the information contains information that is likely to prejudice the commercial interests of any person.</p> <p>Section 12 – the estimated cost of complying with the request would exceed the limit prescribed by the Secretary of State (the Appropriate Limit) , i.e. £450.</p>



Reason(s) For Refusal:

Section 31

Revealing information such as, but not limited to, that contained within operating schedule or event management plan and information contained in other documents such as minutes of multi-agency meetings and e-mails between the Council and police and/or fire services could prejudice the organisers' ability to maintain security and safety on the site.

Section 41

Information such as, but not limited to, that contained within the operating schedule and event management plan has been provided to the Council in confidence solely for the purposes of determining the licence application. The organisers have a legitimate expectation that such information will be kept confidential and would be entitled to enforce such confidentiality by legal action

Section 42

Some of the information requested such as e-mails containing legal advice will be subject to legal and professional privilege.

Section 43

Information such as, but not limited to, that contained within the operating schedule and event management plan is commercially sensitive and is the intellectual property of the organisers. If such information was made publicly available it could be detrimental to the organizers of Glastonbury Festival and/or advantageous to any competitors

The Council considers that in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemptions outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

Section 12

To the extent that any of the above exemption applies to some, but not all, information in the Council's possession relating to Glastonbury Festival, the costs of extracting the information to which no exemption applies would exceed the Appropriate Limit of £450.

Appeals/Complaints Procedure

If you wish to appeal about information the Council has not released to you please let us know in writing stating clearly what the issue is. We will reconsider your request and if it is agreed that the information should have been disclosed, we will do so.

If you wish to complain about the way your request was handled by the Council, please complete and return our Complaints Form (available from our Offices, Council Information Points and on our website) and we will endeavour to resolve any problems. If we are unable to do this informally we will apply the Council's Complaints Procedure.

If you are unhappy with the result of your appeal or complaint you can ask the Information Commissioner to consider your case. Please see contact details below.



Mendip District Council

Fiona Lyons, Corporate Support, Mendip District Council, Cannards Grave Road, Shepton Mallet BA4 5BT.

Telephone: 01749 341247

Fax: 01749 341542

e-mail: fiona.lyons@mendip.gov.uk

The Information Commissioner,

Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF

Telephone: 01625 545745

www.ico.gov.uk

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Fiona Lyons'.

Fiona Lyons

Data Protection Officer
Mendip District Council

Date 9 February 2010