Dear Mr Jennings

Re: - Request for Information – Fleet Engineer/Workshop Manager & Passenger Transport Services Reference Number: COR/9XQL4X

Thank you for your request for information, which was received by Manchester City Council on 19 June 2015 and has been considered under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("the 2000 Act").

You have asked for the following information:

- The name, phone number, email address for the Fleet Engineer at the Council and/or Workshop Manager i.e. those responsible for the maintenance of Council vehicles such as minibuses, vans, trucks etc.
- Please supply the name of the company you subcontract vehicle maintenance to.

On 4 July 2015 the responsibility for the maintenance and repair of the Council’s refuse and street cleansing vehicles was transferred to Biffa Municipal Ltd as part of a new contractual agreement associated with refuse collection and street cleansing. Contact information can be requested via their website at www.biffa.co.uk by using their Biffa Municipal Enquiry form.

On 13 July 2015 the City Council entered into a collaboration with Greater Manchester Police for the remainder of the City Council’s fleet management activities. The vehicle workshops are located at Greater Manchester Police, Business Support Services, Openshaw Complex, Lawton Street, Openshaw, Manchester M11 2NS.

The Council has determined that it is unable to comply with your request for the names of those responsible for the management of Manchester's fleet services. This is because the requested information is exempt from disclosure under sections 40(2)(3) of the Act which is an absolute exemption.
This exemption applies because the requested information comprises or contains personal information about a third party. The Council has determined that the information relating to the third party should not be disclosed because disclosure would contravene one or more of the data protection principles under the Data Protection Act 1998, including the first principle that requires that information should be processed lawfully and fairly. This information is therefore exempt under sub-section 40(3)(a)(i)

- Do you have a department that is responsible for Passenger Transport in the Community and, if so, can you supply a name, contact number or email address

Children and Families Directorate are responsible for the passenger transport for social care and children/ students. The directorate contracts in transport services for residents with special educational needs and disability. The appointed transport operators are responsible for the maintenance of their vehicles. No other community transport is undertaken by the City Council.

If you are not satisfied with this response you may ask for an internal review. If you wish to complain you should contact the Information Governance Manager, whose address is Democratic Services, Town Hall, Albert Square, Manchester, M60 2LA and email informationcompliance@manchester.gov.uk

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

Elaine Heggie
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