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Requester

At contact address specified for request number above

11 June 2019

Dear Requester

Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act)

The council has considered your request, which was received on 20 May 2019 and our response to your questions is shown below.

Please can you provide the Group Managers and Team Managers individual names for Children's Services- specifically Social Work and what team they manage.

The council is withholding the requested names of employees. In accordance with section 40(2) of the Act, the personal information about identifiable living individuals is exempt if disclosure to a third party would contravene one of the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) principles.

The council are required under section 40(2) to take in account the GDPR, in particular Article 4 which states: "personal data' means any information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person ('data subject'); an identifiable natural person is one who can be identified, directly or indirectly, in particular by reference to an identifier such as a name, an identification number, location data, an online identifier or to one or more factors specific to the physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity of that natural person".

The council have considered the principles of the GDPR and the Data Protection Act 2018 in our decision as to whether to disclose the names of these employees. The council must also consider whether it is fair in general terms to disclose the information. The Information Commissioner's guidance states 'It is reasonable to expect that a public authority would disclose more information relating to senior employees than more junior ones...the disclosure must not cause unwarranted interference with the rights, freedoms and legitimate interests of the employee'. The individuals concerned would not expect their details to be shared in response to a Freedom of Information request, as it is the council's general guidance not to do so for staff below the level of Head of Service. The council have therefore determined that in this instance the disclosure of this information to you otherwise than under the



Act would contravene Principle (a) of the GDPR – lawfulness, fairness and transparency.

The council is withholding the information as detailed above under section 40(2). Please accept this letter as a refusal notice issued in accordance with section 17 of the Act.

In accordance with Section 16(1) of the Act, the Authority has a duty to provide advice and assistance to you, as so far as it is reasonable to do so. The council can provide the names of senior management for Children's Integrated Services, comprised of Corporate Director, Director and Heads of Service:

Alison Michalska - Corporate Director for Children & Adults (DCS)

Children's Integrated Services:

Helen Blackman – Director of Children's Integrated Services
Clive Chambers – Head of Children In Care
Tracey Nurse – Head of Children's Social Work
Sophie Russell – Head of Children's Strategy and Improvement
Tajinder Madahar – Head of Children's Duty and Targeted Services
Shelley Nicholls and Wilf Fearon – Joint Heads of Early Help Services
John Matravers – Strategic Lead for Safeguarding Partnerships
Nick Lee – Director of Education Services
Peter McConnochie – Head of Access to Learning
Janine Walker – Head of SEND and Vulnerable Pupils

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Yours sincerely

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