



## Northamptonshire County Council

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Please ask for: Freedom of Information  
Tel: 01604 368360  
Our ref: FR9491  
Your ref:  
Date: 8<sup>th</sup> October 2019

Dear Sir/Madam,

### **Information Request: FR9491**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request dated 10<sup>th</sup> September 2019. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act and is detailed below in italics with our response in bold.

(Please note the extract below has been taken directly from your original information request and is unedited).

### **Our Response**

The Freedom of Information Team has been provided with the following information in response to your recent request on behalf of Northamptonshire County Council (NCC).

*Please can you provide the current/latest organisational structure for Children's Services and Early Years teams – including the names and job titles of all senior management and strategic heads of departments, budget holders for training, and development across Children's Services, along with contact numbers and email addresses.*

**Staff details are held in our directory by name rather than job role/team and we would need to create information in order to provide the list you require which we are not obliged to do under the FOIA 2000.**

**Job roles and responsibilities are constantly changing and so our preferred method of contact is via our Customer Service Centre, please see link below:**

**<https://www3.northamptonshire.gov.uk/contact-us/Pages/default.aspx>**

*Please can you provide details of the personal assistant for their senior management team.*

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**Tracy Bottomley**

*Please can you provide a list of external suppliers involved with Children's Services, including preferred outsources.*

**There is no reporting function currently within our financial system which would filter out relevant commercial suppliers to Children's Services. Therefore it would involve a manual process of looking through thousands of lines of information for all payments.**

**Unfortunately, it is estimated that the time it will take to undertake the necessary search, retrieval and preparation work that will enable us to respond to this part of the request will exceed the fee limit as set out in the Appropriate Limit and Fees Regulations. Therefore, the Council is not obliged to provide a response and will not be processing your request further. For information purposes, the fee limit set down by the Regulations is £450.00 and in our case this equates to a maximum of 18 hours' of search and retrieval time.**

**Therefore, in accordance with Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, this letter acts as a refusal to release the information you have requested.**

**Section 12-Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit**

**(1) Section 1 (1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.**

*Also, could you please provide the names, job titles, contact numbers, and email addresses of those who are responsible for the commissioning of services for Children's Services such as Children's Homes, Leaving Care, Fostering, and Youth Offending*

**[PlacementManagementService@childrenfirstnorthamptonshire.co.uk](mailto:PlacementManagementService@childrenfirstnorthamptonshire.co.uk) the team responsible for the commissioning of services for Children's Services**

*including any Councillors who sit on any children-related committees.*

**Please see link below to various committees including the Overview & Scrutiny Committee that discusses children-related matters.**

**<https://cmis.northamptonshire.gov.uk/cm5live/Committees.aspx>**

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If you are unhappy with the response, you can ask the Council to review it. To do this please write to the address below:

Ms Luiza Morris-Warren  
Reviewing Officer  
Northamptonshire County Council  
One Angel Square  
Angel Street  
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Email [dataprotection@northamptonshire.gov.uk](mailto:dataprotection@northamptonshire.gov.uk)

If our internal review does not resolve the issue to your complete satisfaction, you have the right to apply to the information Commissioner for a decision at the following address:

Information Commissioner  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire SK9 5AF

Or, if you have any complaints in respect of your information request please complete the on-line comments form that can be found at [www.northamptonshire.gov.uk](http://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk), along with a full set of guidance.

Yours faithfully

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