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Please ask for Sarah Turpin

Our ref: 2983029

Your ref:

Date: 25 January 2018

Dear Mr Thomas

Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am pleased to provide some of the information you have requested. I have detailed below the information.

I can confirm that the remainder of the information you have requested is held by Warwickshire County Council, by law. However, I'm unable to give this to you.

We consider that the qualified exemption set out in Section 43 (Prejudicial to commercial interests) applies to some of the information requested. Therefore, we have decided to withhold that information.

In applying this exemption, we have had to balance the public interest in withholding the information against the interest in favour of disclosure.

Factors in favour of disclosure

- Transparency of the actions taken by the Council
- Enabling public scrutiny in ensuring that the Council is securing the best use of public resources

Factors in favour of withholding

Information is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the public authority holding it).

In all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

• How many DBS checks were carried out by the council in 2016 (or over a period of a year where the volumes are available) **9383**

• Does the council use an organisation to process DBS checks? **No**

• ~~If yes, please provide name of the organisation used to process the DBS checks~~

• The fee per check for both standard and enhanced checks Standard Fee per check £
Enhanced Fee per check £ **Exemption clause - 43 Commercial interests.**

• If the Council or a Supplier provide the service please confirm the percentage of DBS checks processed within:

48 hours

1 week

2 weeks

3 weeks

4 weeks

5 weeks

Six weeks and over

Each Category in Isolation	Proportions	Cumulative totals	Cumulative Proportions	
48 hours	3976	42.37%	3976	42.37%
1 week	2262	24.11%	6238	66.48%
2 weeks	1178	12.55%	7416	79.04%
3 weeks	603	6.43%	8019	85.46%
4 weeks	326	3.47%	8345	88.94%
5 weeks	234	2.49%	8579	91.43%
6 weeks	172	1.83%	8751	93.26%
over 6 wks	632	6.74%	9383	100.00%
Totals	9383	100.00%		

Parameters: Dates used (01/12/2015 to 31/12/2016). The percentages refer to 'Created date' when the application was received and 'Countersignature Auth Date' when application was cleared by the DBS.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Information Management

Shire Hall

Warwick

CV34 4RL

xxxxxxxxxxxxx@xxxx.xxxxxxxxxx.xxx

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:

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

Phone: 0303 123 1113

Website: www.ico.gov.uk

I will now close your request as of this date.

Yours sincerely

Sarah Turpin
Programme Support Manager