



City of Westminster

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Our ref: 6346935

Your ref:

Date: 13 December 2017

Dear

Re. Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your recent request to the Council. You asked to be provided with the following information:

Dear Westminster City Council,

Have you ever been sued for discrimination against disabilities equal rights or on Human rights, ?
When?

How do you think you can prevent it?

Yours faithfully,

Clarification received 18/11/2017

Over 5 years. Socail services, adult and children, education departments

Response

I can confirm that Westminster City Council holds the information you have requested.

However, we are unable to process your request. This is because the time of locating and retrieving the information exceeds the "appropriate limit" as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004.

In the last 5 years, Legal Services alone have opened 6,658 Westminster City Council cases. We have no available facility to know what number of those files have been raised on the issue of "discrimination against disabilities equal right and Human rights" without going into each of those files and search individually, this will take us outside of the 18-hour exemption.

We have narrowed down the cases where "discrimination against disabilities equal rights or on Human rights" may have been raised as an issue to a possible 1,099 cases. However, each of these would likely require a request for a physical file to be retrieved and a member of staff to spend at least 45 minutes per file looking through these files.

In accordance with Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 this letter acts as a Refusal Notice.

You have the right of appeal against the decision. If you wish to appeal please set out in writing your grounds of appeal and send to:

ICT Shared Services
5 The Strand
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xxx@xxxxxxxxxxx.xxx.xx

Should you still be dissatisfied with the outcome of any such complaint you have the right to make a complaint to the Information Commissioner, pursuant to section 50 of the FOIA. The contact details are:

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

Tel: 0303 123 1113 or 01625 54 57 45
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Yours sincerely

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