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Dear Simon du Plessis

Freedom of Information Request: Ratable values of empty commercial properties

I am writing regarding your request which I received on 5 October 2012. In your request you asked for the following information:

(a) The addresses and a brief description (eg, shop, office, warehouse, etc), reference and rateable value of all vacant commercial premises within the Leeds City Council area.

(b) Names of the owners of the properties referred to in (a)

The attached spreadsheet contains details of all hereditaments which our non domestic rates records indicate were vacant as at 8th October 2012. The details of any ratepayer believed to be an individual have been omitted as disclosure in such cases is exempt under Section 40 (Personal Information) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I trust my reply serves to assist in your enquiry. If you have any queries about this letter, please feel free to contact me.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Freepost RLZR-ELTX-RUEH, Leeds City Council, PO Box 657, LS1 9BS.

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act for a decision. Generally the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by Leeds City Council.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

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