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Our Ref: FOI/4423

Date: 12 October 2017



Dear Mr Armstrong

Your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("FOIA"). Our ref: 4423

Thank you for your request for information received 11 October 2017. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). Our response is below:

You requested:

- "1. The number of Parking Charge Notices the Council has issued over the past 3 months (July 2017-September 2017)
- 2. The revenue from the Parking Charge Notices issued by the council over the past 3 months (July 2017- September 2017)
- 3. The location i.e. street or car park where Parking Charge Notices have been issued the most by the council over the last 3 months (July 2017- September 2017)"

Parking Charge Notices (PCN's) for on street parking are issued by Leicestershire County Council's Roads and Travel Team: https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/roads-and-travel contact T. 0116 3050001.

Should you wish to re-submit this aspect of your request under the FOIA, please contact: Freedom of Information Information and Records Team Room 300b County Hall

Glenfield Leicester LE3 8TG

Email: foi@leics.gov.uk

PCN's are issued by this council, but only for our car parks. In relation to car park issued PCN's only: The information requested in questions 1 and 2 is exempt from disclosure under section 22 of the FOIA. Section 22 states that information is exempt if, at the time a public authority receives a request for it:

- The public authority holds it with a view to its publication
- The public authority or another person intends to publish the information at some future date, whether determined or not; and
- In all the circumstances it is reasonable to withhold the information prior to publication.

Section 22 is a qualified exemption. That is, it is subject to the public interest test which is set out in Section 2 of the FOIA.

We believe that the disclosure of this information is of interest to the wider public, and as such it is important that it can be accessed simultaneously by the general public rather than intermittently by disclosure to a small number of individuals under the FOIA. At the present time it would not be in the public interest to disclose, as early release of information could be misrepresentative as an example of the final data published on an annual basis. We therefore find in favour of withholding this information.

You can obtain previous Parking Charge Notice information at the following location on our website: http://www.hinckley-bosworth.gov.uk/info/200072/parking/1130/car_parks_financial_information

The information requested in question 3 is not held by the council, we do not keep a record of where specific parking charges were incurred. However, a full list of our car parks can be found here: http://www.hinckley-bosworth.gov.uk/info/200072/parking/582/car_parks_-_locations_and_prices

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request you may write to: Julie Kenny, Director of Corporate Services, Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council, Hinckley Hub, Rugby Road, Hinckley, Leicestershire, LE10 0FR. Please quote the reference number at the top of this letter on all correspondence and ask that your request be reviewed under the council's internal appeals procedure.

Should you remain dissatisfied following an appeal, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a further review at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. www.ico.org.uk.

Yours Sincerely

Faye Biddles

Information Governance Officer