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Ask for: Information
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Your ref :

Our ref: FOI/ E19836

Date: 11th August 2014

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Dear Ms Estelle,

Freedom of Information Act 2000
Request for Information: Information Provided
Please quote our reference: E19835
Subject: Newham Survey's

We write with regard to your recent enquiry for information held by the Council under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

We trust that the information provided is satisfactory. You are free to use the information for your personal use only. Any other type of re-use, for example, publishing the information or issuing copies to the public will require permission of the copyright owner. If the Council is the copyright owner, a licence can be applied for under the Re-use of Public Sector Information Regulations 2005.

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It is important to note that under the Privacy and Electronic Communications (EC Directive) Regulations 2003 the Council asks not to receive unsolicited marketing communication.

Request

Please can you provide me with any response, analysis and findings that you have collated from the following survey's

1. Newham Household Panel Survey Wave 5
2. Young People's Survey 2010
3. The Liveability Survey 2009

Response

Please see attached is NHPS Wave 5 survey. We do not disclose Liveability or the Youth Survey externally these are used internally for the development of public policy and fall within Section 36 of the Freedom of Information Act.

Under the Freedom of Information Act we have the right to refuse a request for information held if an exemption applies. We believe in this case Section 36 applies, which provides for exemption where disclosure would be prejudicial to the effective conduct of public affairs. We have therefore redacted the report in part and the action plan at Appendix 1 on these grounds, as stated below.

Section 36 relates to information that, if disclosed, would adversely affect the delivery of public services and exempts information which disclosure would likely to inhibit the free and frank provision of advice and exchange of views for the purpose of deliberation and prejudice the conduct of public affairs. The requested report was drafted with a view to identifying areas of improvement in a particular service and sought to explore options available to the authority to improve these services, for the benefit of our residents.

The Council's Proper Officer, as required by the Act, has deemed that it would not be appropriate to release the information requested in full under the provisions of section 36, as it is more in the public interest to withhold the information as release would be likely to prejudice the effective conduct of public affairs, inhibit free and frank provision of advice and exchange of views within local government.

If you require any further information or are not happy with our response please do not hesitate to contact us on 0208 430 2000 or email us at information.governance@newham.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely,

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