

Our ref: 6697365  
20 June 2019

**Mike Thompson**  
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## **Freedom of Information Act 2000**

Dear Mike Thompson

This request is being handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

### **Request**

Please could you provide me with the following information relating to school admissions for every state school or state school site within your local authority on national offer day 2019:

1. The name of the school or school site
2. The DfE number or URN of the school
3. The Published Admissions Number of the school in that year
4. The total number of times the school was listed as a preference
5. The total number of offers made
6. The number of offers made to siblings of existing pupils
7. The number of offers made under any proximity, distance or 'other children' oversubscription criterion
8. The name of the admission criterion under which the last successful applicant was admitted, e.g. "Distance"
9. The home-to-school distance and unit of measurement (and whether this measurement was straight line or walking distance) of the last successful applicant, where distance was used to prioritise this last place
10. Whether the school was oversubscribed in that year

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Please always list the school or site, even if there is little admission information available.

As I understand it, this information is normally recorded as a dataset, so it would be great if your response could include the data in an electronic, reusable format such as Excel or CSV, as required by section 102 of the Protection of Freedoms Act 2012.

I am asking for this in order to supplement a website I have created to help parents find out more about schools near them, in particular admission results. You can see it here: <http://admissionsday.co.uk>.

Please do email me or call me on the number below if you wish to discuss this request, particularly if there are any issues or complications that could lead to a refusal.

### **Response**

I can confirm that Birmingham City Council holds the information you requested. However we are withholding that information since we consider that the following exemptions apply to it.

The information is exempt from disclosure under Section 22(1) of the Freedom of Information Act (FoIA). There is a clear intention to publish the information at a future date and in line with section 22(1)(c) it is considered reasonable in all the circumstances that the information should be withheld from disclosure until the date of publication.

The information will be published in full on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2019 via [www.birmingham.gov.uk](http://www.birmingham.gov.uk)

This response therefore acts as a refusal notice under section 17 of the FoIA.

Please quote the reference number 6697365 in any future communications.

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 40 working days from the date this authority issued its initial response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Corporate Information Governance Team  
PO Box 16366  
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If you are still dissatisfied with the Council's response after the internal review you have a right of appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
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Wilmslow  
Cheshire SK9 5AF.  
Telephone: 01625 545 700  
Website: [www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk)

We would like to hear your views on our service. If you'd like to tell us how we did, you can complete our feedback form online at  
<http://www.yourwebsite.co.uk/foifeedback>

I will now close your request as of this date.

Yours faithfully  
Digital and Customer Services

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