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Our Ref: FOI Ref 5106
Date: 09 February 2011

Mr P Cardin

Dear Mr Cardin

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

Your request for information has now been considered and the Council's response to your questions is shown below.

You asked:

I would like to take up your offer of narrowing the scope of the request and would like to do this as follows.

Please exclude any compromise agreements drawn up in the following circumstances:

- 1. Purely redundancy situations
- 2. Purely PILON (payment in lieu of notice) situations
- 3. COT3 agreements (where tribunal proceedings may or may not have been initiated)
- 4. Equal pay claims
- 5. TUPF situations

Further to this, in the spirit of making this query more manageable, please restrict the time period to between 2005 and 2010 i.e. the last 6 years

As detailed in our response to your original FOIA request sent earlier this year, Leicester City Council does not have a central record of compromise agreements.

Section 12 of the Act makes provision for public authorities to refuse requests for information where the cost of dealing with them would exceed the appropriate limit, which for Local Authorities is set at £450. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 2.5 working days in determining whether the department holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting the information.

To collate this information would entail each HR Team to review each employee file and identify compromise agreement cases in order to rule them

out of the criteria detailed in your FOIA request. Therefore, your request will not be processed further.

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If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request please write to:

Head of Information Governance Information and Support **Leicester City Council** FREEPOST (LE985/33) **New Walk Centre LEICESTER LE1 6ZG**

Your request for internal review should be submitted to the above address within 40 (forty) working days of receipt by you of this response. Any such request received after this time will only be considered at the Council's absolute discretion.

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Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow SK9 5AF Telephone: 01625 545 700

www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk

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Yours sincerely

Lynn Wyeth

Head of Information Governance