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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST 1201

I write further to your email dated 19 June 2020.

Your request has been dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), explained on our freedom of information page.

Your request:

- *NOTE: 'Budget' below means the council's entire annual budget. Should it not be possible to
 provide such information within the cost limits of the Act then it would be acceptable to
 receive information just on the portion of the waste budget. Or indeed vice versa should the
 opposite be the case.
- *NOTE: I require information for the previous last two financial years. However, should it not be possible to provide such information within the cost limits of the Act then it would be acceptable to receive information just on the last financial year.
- 1. How much your council spends on the collection, disposal and minimisation of recyclable waste per year.
 - o What portion of your budget is this expenditure?
- 2. How much your council spends on the collection, disposal and minimisation of non-recyclable waste through landfill, incineration or other per year?
 - o What portion of your annual budget is this expenditure?
- 3. How much your council spends on recycling waste per year.
 - o What portion of your annual budget is this expenditure?
- 4. What are your council's annual climate change objectives?
 - Is your waste management practice linked to these objectives?
 - o Could you briefly outline how?
- 5. Do you use a private operator for the collection, disposal and minimisation of waste (recyclable or non-recyclable)?
 - o What is the name of the operator?
 - What portion of the recyclable or non-recyclable waste do they collect, dispose of or minimise?

Our response:

Regarding questions 1 to 3, we do not breakdown the costs between recyclable, non-recyclable, and household waste collections. Document 1201a.xlsx attached details the budgets for the entire refuse and recycling service and the percentage proportion of the General Fund budget that it equates to.

The Council does not have annual climate change objectives, instead we have three year plan. This is the start of our climate change work and the council is not committed to this specific action plan, however it is used to help reach the 2030 and 2050 targets. I have attached relevant extracts of this document as 1201b.pdf.

We do not use a private operator for the collection, disposal, or minimisation of waste.

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If you remain dissatisfied following the conclusion of the above informal review, you have the right to ask for an internal review. A request for a review whether formal or informal should be submitted within two calendar months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be sent to DPO@NWLeicestershire.gov.uk or the address above.

Further details on our appeals and complaints procedure can be found on our website here.

If you remain dissatisfied following the conclusion of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at accessicoinformation@ico.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

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