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## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST 1230**

I write further to your email dated 23 July 2020.

Your request has been dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, explained on our <u>freedom of information</u> page.

## Your request:

- 1) A year on year gender breakdown of DHP awarded to claimants since 2005
- 2) A year on year gender breakdown of Hardship payments awarded to claimants since 2005

## Our response:

I can confirm that we hold the information you have requested. However, complying with this request would exceed the cost limit of £450. Where we estimate that complying with a request will cost in excess of £450 or 18 hours of officer time we will refuse this request under section 12 of the FOIA.

In this case, significant work across several officers would be required to extract the information from our databases in addition to costs incurred related to specialist IT services.

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If you are dissatisfied with the information supplied please feel free to contact me on the number above for any queries in relation to this response. Please note that in responding to further enquiries I can only comment on the information contained within this correspondence and cannot provide any further information that may pertain to an additional FOIA request.

Please remember to quote the Authority's four digit reference number given at the top of this email in any future communications.

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 <a href="mailto:DPO@NWLeicestershire.gov.uk">DPO@NWLeicestershire.gov.uk</a> or the address above.

Further details on our appeals and complaints procedure can be found on our website <u>here</u>.

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 <a href="mailto:accessicoinformation@ico.org.uk">accessicoinformation@ico.org.uk</a>.

Yours sincerely

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