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## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST 1261**

I write further to your email dated 20 August 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:

1. How much money has the council spent in total on **hotel / B&B accommodation for homeless people?**
2. If time permits, I would be grateful for a **breakdown** of spending:
  - The name and address of hotel(s) used
  - The number of rooms purchased
  - The number of nights purchased
  - Any other fees / or costs incurred (e.g. food, drink, insurance etc)

Our response:

I can confirm that North West Leicestershire District Council has spent at least £158,992 on hotel/B&B accommodation for homeless people. Please note however, that due to restrictions with in our held data we recognise that the full amount is greater.

Unfortunately, we are unable to supply a breakdown of the spending as it 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.

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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 [DPO@NWLeicestershire.gov.uk](mailto: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](mailto:accessicoinformation@ico.org.uk).

Yours sincerely

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