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## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST 1392

I write further to your email dated 23 November 2020.

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

Your request:

Since the support scheme's beginning **until week ending 22/11/2020**, on a weekly basis by week ending:

- 1. The number of applications received for the £500 support payment.
- 2. The number of £500 payments that have been made to those eligible for the payment based on government guidelines.
- 3. The number of £500 payments that have been made on a discretionary basis by the council.
- 4. If it is not possible to separate the payments by eligible and discretionary, please provide one number for the total number of £500 support payments each week.
- 5. If collating the data by week would cause the request to exceed the cost limit under section 12 of the FOIA then please submit the information as a total since the inception of the scheme.
- 6. I would like the data to be presented as a .csv or .xlsx conforming to the template attached.

Our response:

NWL		Main Scheme	Discretionary Scheme
Total	135	63	72
Rejected	93	25	68
Awaiting			
Information	14	11	3
Paid	28	27	1

The data is correct as of 23/11/2020. The data has been compiled as a total since the scheme commenced (per point 5). vHowever, complying with part 6 of 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, the excessive element would be to break down the data into weekly statistics.

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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 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 <u>accessicoinformation@ico.org.uk</u>.

Yours sincerely

Mackenzie Keatley Information Governance Officer