

Somerset Waste Partnership reference: 2016-89
Enquiry regarding waste management services to schools
Date of response: 03.06.2016

Dear XXX

Freedom in information request – waste management services to schools

I am writing regarding your recent request for information from Somerset Waste Partnership, which has been dealt with under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Somerset Waste Partnership is a partnership of Mendip, Sedgemoor, South Somerset and West Somerset District Councils, Taunton Deane Borough Council and Somerset County Council. This response covers all those partner authorities.

In response to your questions: -

I am making a request under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

If your authority does not deal with the FOI's for your waste management (i.e. were you are part of a partnership) please answer questions 1c & d only, and provide an email address for your waste partnership.

1. Do you offer waste management services to schools?

Waste management services are provided to schools through our current collection contract.

If yes -

- a. How much do you charge for -
 - i. General waste bins (all sizes)?
Under the terms of the legislation we are unable to provide unit costs.
 - ii. Recycling bins (all sizes)?
See above.
 - iii. Glass bins (all sizes)?
See above.
 - iv. Food waste bins (all sizes)?
See above.

- b. Please provide a list of schools that you service.
SWP do not hold this data.

If no -

- c. Do you handle any waste management contracts on behalf of the schools?
 - i. Which schools do you handle the waste management contracts for?

- ii. Is this part of a framework contract – if not, please provide a brief explanation of why these contracts are dealt with by the LA (*were the schools are academies*).

d. Please provide a full list of schools within your local authority and state whether they are an academy or LA school.

2. Do you offer waste management services to businesses?

No.

If yes

- a. How much for you charge for -
 - i. General waste bins (all sizes)?
 - ii. Recycling bins (all sizes)?
 - iii. Glass bins (all sizes)?
 - iv. Food waste bins (all sizes)?

If you feel your request has not been answered in sufficient detail or if you wish to clarify the information given please contact me and I will be happy to address the issues you raise.

If you are not satisfied with the way in which your request has been dealt with, or the information you have received, you can ask for an internal review of our decision.

Please send your request to:

Peter Grogan
Information Governance Team
Somerset County Council
County Hall
Taunton
TA1 4DY or email informationgovernance@Somerset.gov.uk

An internal review will then be carried out and we will write to you with the results of our investigation. If you are not content with the outcome of our review, you may then apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (<https://ico.org.uk>) for an appeal: The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF Tel: 0303 123 1113

Please quote the reference numbers at the top of this e-mail in any future correspondence with Somerset Waste Partnership.

Yours sincerely