

Request

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I am writing to request the names, official job titles, and direct email addresses for the individuals currently holding the following roles within your council:

- 1. Community Safety Manager (or equivalent lead for community safety/antisocial behaviour).
- 2. Director of Children's Services (or equivalent role overseeing education and safeguarding).
- 3. Public Health Lead for Children & Young People (or equivalent).
- 4. Youth Services Manager (or officer responsible for youth engagement/safety programmes).
- 5. Strategic Partnerships or Programme Lead (relevant to youth safety or crime prevention).
- 6. Violence Reduction Units Lead (if applicable to your area)

Response

The Council confirms it holds the requested information but is withholding it from disclosure as it is exempt under section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act).

Section 40(2) of the Act states that "...any information to which a request for information relates is also exempt information if (a) it constitutes personal data and (b) the first, second or third condition below is satisfied".

Personal data is defined in Article 4 of UK GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation) as "any information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person ('data subject'); an identifiable natural person is one who can be identified, directly or indirectly, in particular by reference to an identifier such as a name, an identification number, location data, an online identifier or to one or more factors specific to the physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity of that natural person". Section 40(2)(a) of the Act is therefore satisfied as the information requested is personal data.

The first condition in section 40(3)(A)(a) of the Act states that the information is exempt from disclosure if "the disclosure of the information to a member of the public otherwise than under this Act would contravene any of the data protection principles". The data protection principles are in Article 5 of UK GDPR and the first principle is that personal data shall be "processed lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner in relation to the data subject". The lawful bases for processing personal data are set out in Article 6 of UK GDPR and the only possible lawful bases for disclosure under the Act would be consent or legitimate interests. The Council does not have the consent of the person to disclose this information and therefore the legitimate interests lawful basis needs to be considered. The Council therefore does not have a lawful basis to process this personal data in this way and section 40(3)(A)(a) of the Act is satisfied.

As sections 40(2) and 40(3)(A)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 are engaged, the information held by the Council is being withheld from disclosure.

However - listed below are the senior officer details for the areas within your request are:-

Q1 & Q6	Julie Middlehurst Assistant Director, Infrastructure & Regulatory (j.middlehurst@wigan.gov.uk)
Q2, Q4 & Q5	Collete Dutton Director of Children and Families <u>Colette.Dutton@wigan.gov.uk</u>
Q3	Laura Wharton Assistant Director for Public Health <u>I.wharton1@wigan.gov.uk</u>
	Rachael Musgrave Director of Public Health <u>Rachael.musgrave@wigan.gov.uk</u>