

Dear,

Thank you for your recently submitted Freedom of Information request. I am now able to provide you with the information supplied by the department, as follows:

1. Whether your Local Authority has any plans to establish or move any of its municipal offices to new premises or to modify or refurbish existing premises in the coming five years.
Yes, we are currently delivering a Smarter Working Programme that will see a number of our offices reconfigured to support, along with the provision of new ICT equipment, a greater level of flexibility for where staff undertake their work and will result in an overall reduction in the requirement for office space.

2. Whether, as part of an estates strategy, your Local Authority has plans to co-locate with any of the following services:
 - Central Government – **No current plans**
 - Other Local Government (including district or county) – **Yes, a number of options are being considered as part of the One Public Estate (OPE) Programme**
 - Police services – **Yes, a number of options are being considered as part of the One Public Estate (OPE) Programme**
 - Fire & Rescue services – **Yes, a number of options are being considered as part of the One Public Estate (OPE) Programme**
 - Ambulance services – **Yes, a number of options are being considered as part of the One Public Estate (OPE) Programme**
 - NHS – **Yes, this already happens to a limited degree within acute settings but is starting to happen more in community settings**

3. Any further information you have regarding the timescale, floorplan size, cost of the project and staff numbers involved (full time-equivalents).
Timescale – **completed over the next 2-3 years**
Floorplan size – **The current net internal area of the existing office capacity is approximately 36,000 m²**
Cost – **To date, £935k has been approved for office reconfiguration and new furniture**
Project team – **The Smarter Programme Team consists of 8 fte**

I hope this now satisfies your request, and should you have any further enquiry please do not hesitate to contact me directly on the details below.

In addition to the this and for future reference Nottingham County Council regularly publishes previous FOIR,s and answers on its website, under Disclosure logs. (see link)
<http://site.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/thecouncil/democracy/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log/>

You can use the search facility using keywords.

If you wish to raise any concerns about the way your request was dealt with, then please write to the Team Manager, Complaints and Information, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP or e-mail foi@nottsc.gov.uk quoting the reference number above.

Following this, if you remain dissatisfied, you can ask the Information Commissioner to review your request. However, the Information Commissioner cannot normally make a decision unless you have exhausted the procedure provided by the Council. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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Wilmslow
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SK9 5AF
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Kind Regards

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