

Dear Requester

I refer to your recent Freedom of Information request. The response is as follows:

1. Since the scheme came into effect, how many applications for a Blue Badge have you had relating to:

- a) adults with a non-visible disability
- b) children under 18 with a non-visible disability
- c) adults with autism*
- d) children under 18 with autism**

We are unable to breakdown into age or specific condition categories. Reports are able to provide application type (non-visible or physical disability) and outcome (successful or unsuccessful) only. Please be aware that anyone with a non-physical disability that is still claiming Disability Living Allowance (DLA) has not be included in the figures, as there is nothing to differentiate between non visible and physical disability components within the *DLA benefit.

a) & b) combined - Reports show that Nottinghamshire County Council has received a total of **1010** non-physical applications between 30th August 2019 and 28th July 2020.

2. Please break down each of the totals above by the number a) granted and b) refused.

a) **243** were successful and b) **767** refused

3. If possible within the time limits of the FOIA, please further break down each of the totals 'granted' above by a) the total number granted through the "without further assessment" route and b) the total number granted through the "with further assessment" route.

- a) 64 were approved under the applicable Personal Independence Payment - 'planning a journey component'
- b) 179 were approved following further assessment

I hope this assists. Should you have any further enquiries please do not hesitate to contact me directly on the details below.

Complaints, Information and Mediation Officer
Nottinghamshire County Council

In addition to 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@nottscc.gov.uk quoting the reference number above.