

Freedom of information request NCC-032030-18

Thank you for your recent Freedom of information request for the following information:

1. How many religious weddings were conducted within your council area between June 1st 2017 and 31st May 2018?
2. How many civil weddings were conducted within your council area between June 1st 2017 and 31st May 2018?

If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to the information exceeding the cost of compliance limits identified in Section 12, please provide advice and assistance, under the Section 16 obligations of the Act, as to how I can refine my request.

Our Response;

1. Nottinghamshire County Council "NCC" do not hold a complete record of religious weddings conducted within this council area as our records rely on the clergy returns which can be incomplete. Also our quarters do not correspond with the dates in your request, NCC record a total number of marriages per church per quarter, and we don't have a breakdown month by month. There are also those religious marriages under the rites of the Jews and Quakers in which we have no involvement. Nevertheless, from the records we have, we know of approximately 798 religious weddings in Nottinghamshire between June 1 2017 and 31 May 2018. In line with the provisions of the freedom of information Act you may also wish to contact the General Register Office <https://www.gro.gov.uk/gro/content/>

2. There were 2,888 civil weddings conducted within this council area between June 1st 2017 and 31st May 2018

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

If you are unhappy with the way your request was dealt with and wish to make a complaint, please write to the Team Manager, Complaints and Information, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham NG2 7QP or email foi@nottscc.gov.uk quoting the reference above.

With kind regards

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