

Customer email:
Dear council,

I am writing to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000/Environmental Information Regulations.

Would you please be able to tell me how many ecological experts are employed by the council? Please can you define this in-house expertise in terms of full-time and part-time chartered ecologists.

As a second part of this request can you please tell me how many ecological experts have been employed in-house by the council over the past five years broken down on an annual basis from 1 January 2013 to the present day.

Thank you for your recent Freedom of Information Request.

I am now able to provide you with the information supplied by the relevant department, as follows:

The Council employed 1.5 FTE ecological experts from 1st January 2013 to 31st March 2018 (1 FTE Senior Practitioner Nature Conservation, 0.5 FTE Biodiversity Officer).

From 1st April 2018, the Council has employed 2 FTE ecological experts (1 FTE Natural Environment Manager, 1 FTE Biodiversity Officer).

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

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/>

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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.

Kind Regards

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