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**Request for Information: Ref NCC-035998-18**

**Legal employees**

Thank you for your request for information relating to Legal employees. I can now let you have the following information in response to the questions you raised.

**Please could you provide me with the number of people employed by your authority as:**

\* **Barristers**

\* **Solicitors**

\* **Qualified legal executives**

**And could this broken down head count (barristers/solicitors/legal executives) be provided for 2018 and each of the previous nine years back to 2007/2008.**

The total number of qualified lawyers employed by the Council has varied over the years depending on the approved structure and any vacant posts we have held in between staff leaving and new staff joining.

The description of the posts identifies the roles which are required to be covered by qualified lawyers but not the type of qualification they must have. The Department's current staffing structure was approved by Policy Committee on 8th January 2014. This structure has not changed since then and so it reflects the up to date position.

The 3 hyperlinks below include the report and two appendices.

*035998 Report to Policy Committee 8 January 2014*

*035998 Structure Chart for Corporate & Environmental Law 2013*

*035998 Structure Chart for Corporate & Environmental Law 2012*

We currently have 1 Barrister, 3 qualified Legal Executives and 22 admitted solicitors working within the Legal Services staffing establishment. Some posts are part time in nature.

For the period prior to 2014, the previous structure is also set out in the 8th January 2018 report to show the proposed changes. This structure was in place from approx. February 2011 to January 2014.

Prior to 2011, the approved structure was in place from approx. 2008 see attached file *Jan 2009 Structure Chart*

We hope this now satisfies your request, and should you have any further enquiries please do not hesitate to contact me directly using the contact details below. In addition and for future reference Nottinghamshire County Council regularly publish previous Freedom of Information Requests and answers on our website, [click here](#) to see the Disclosure logs.

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Yours sincerely

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