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Dear Sir/Madam,

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST FOI IAT 12620

Further to our previous correspondence, your request has now been considered and the council's response is set out below:

Please kindly provide a list of council-run buildings (including Libraries, Day Care Centres, Community Centres, Schools and Administrative bases) which your Council has had to close since 2010. Please provide the name of the buildings and the postcodes of the buildings.

Such closures would include those where people have to seek the same type of service from a different location which already exists (or maybe there is no alternative available).

A) I am advised that no council buildings have been forced to close since 2010 due to Government cuts. Buildings have closed, but any closures have been voluntarily entered into via the corporate property strategy and a rationalisation based on efficiencies from such programmes as better ways of working/Agile working.

Buildings have also been declared surplus by the authority for reasons other than cuts e.g. normal lease breaks or ends that have not been renewed.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, further information regarding our review procedure is available in the 'Internal Review Procedure for EIR and FOI requests' which is published on Herefordshire Council's website via the following link:

https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/government-citizens-and-rights/data-protection-andfreedom-of-information/data-protection

Further information is also available from the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF Telephone: 01625 545 745 <u>www.ico.org.uk</u>

Yours sincerely,

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