Our reference: 10719 FOI

03 October 2016

Dear Mr Jefferson,

Thank you for your request of 20 September 2016 in which you asked for the following information:

Please kindly provide a list of the public service buildings (such as Libraries and Day Care Centres) Oxfordshire County Council has had to close since 2010. Please provide the name of the buildings (for example Witney Library) and its postcode.

Please find our response below in blue:

You have asked for information in respect of public service buildings – we assume this infers buildings which have unrestricted public access.

If a public service ceases to operate from a building a number of options are available to the Council in respect of that building, namely:

- It is occupied for delivery of a different public service (and not closed);
- It is occupied for the Council's operational use (not a public service so no public access);
- It is leased to a third party (could be either public service and not closed or no public access);
- If the property was leased in by the Council the lease will be terminated (therefore building closed);
- If the property is owned freehold by the Council and not required for operational use it will be sold on the open market (therefore building closed).

The Council's property records in respect of public service buildings it has closed since 2010 relating to the latter two bullet points show the following:

Leases Terminated:

Abingdon Connexions, OX14 3JU Bicester Connexions, OX26 6QB Witney Connexions, OX28 4AW North Cherwell Day Services, OX16 9AE Charlbury Adult Learning, OX7 3PN Abingdon Open Door, OX14 3LZ

Properties Sold:

Banbury Connexions, OX16 9PZ Wallingford Youth Centre, OX10 8HS Bicester Library, OX26 6AU (closed as a result of move to new location in town centre)

Internal review

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 Contact the Complaints & Freedom of Information team in Law & Governance :

foi@oxfordshire.gov.uk

- Use the online complaints form on our website: www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/complaints
- Write to the Complaints & Freedom of Information team at the FREEPOST address:

Corporate Complaints Team Oxfordshire County Council FREEPOST (RTLL-ECKS-GLUA) Oxford OX1 1YA

If you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Telephone: 0303 123 1113 Website: http://www.lgo.org.uk/

Please let me know if you have further enquiries. I would be grateful if you could use the reference number given at the top of this email.

Yours sincerely

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