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Dear Sir/Madam.

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: REQ05657

Thank you for your request for information relating to IT Department organisation.

You have requested the following information:

1. ICT/IM&T/IS Strategy- The IT department strategy or plans, highlights their current and future objectives

We are writing to inform you that the Council has decided not to disclose this information.

The information you requested is being withheld as it falls under the exemption(s) in Section 22 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which relates to Information Intended for Future Publication.

The information will be published after September 2019 and will be accessible using the following link:

http://www.coventry.gov.uk/info/10/performance/2350/key_strategies.

2. ICT Org Chart. A visual document that present the structure of the IT department, please include name and job titles. If this can't be sent, please work towards a structure with job titles.

Please see the document attached.

Please note that we only disclose names at a Senior Management level and are unable to provide you details of all employees as this information is exempt under Section 40 of the FOIA.

Therefore, this information is exempt under section 40 (2) of the FOIA. This exemption covers the personal data of third parties (anyone other than the requester) where complying with the request would breach any of the principles in the Data Protection Act.

This has been done as the Council considers that this information meets the definition for personal data set out in Section 3(2) and 3(3) of the Data Protection Act 2018 ("DPA") as:

(2) "personal data means any information relating to an identified or identifiable living individual (subject to subsection (14)(c))"

(3) "Identifiable living individual" means a living individual who can be identified, directly or indirectly, in particular by reference to –

(a) an identifier such as a name, an identification number, location data or an online identifier, or

(b) one or more factors specific to the physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity of the individual."

The Council thus considers that the requested information is caught by the exemption to disclosure contained in Section 40 (2) of the FOI Act and the related first condition of Section 40 (3).

This is an absolute exemption and there is therefore no requirement to consider the public interest.

3. ICT Annual or Business Plan. Similar to the ICT strategy but is more annually focused.

This is being drafted and due for completion end of May 2019.

4. ICT Capital Programme/budget- A document that shows financials budget on current and future projects. If some of these documents are not valid, please state when the 2019 ICT documents are planned to be published.

This is linked to both the strategy and business plan and therefore is not yet available.

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If you are unhappy with the handling of your request, you can ask us to review our response. Requests for reviews should be submitted within 40 days of the date of receipt of our response to your original request – email: <u>infogov@coventry.gov.uk</u>

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Please remember to quote the reference number above in your response.

Yours sincerely

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