From: Freedom of Information Requests

Sent: 16 July 2025 10:13

To:

Subject: Freedom of Information response -

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request dated 22 June 2025 for information about school floor plans. Please find below City of Doncaster Council's responses to the questions you have raised.

### Request

Please can I have the historic floor plans of Ridgewood School, Scawsby, Barnsley rd. especially around 1968, 1994 or around up to 2010?

#### Response

This information is exempt from disclosure under Section 38(1)(b).

# Why does the exemption apply in this case?:

Section 38(1)(b) provides an exemption where disclosing information could endanger the safety of any individual including the applicant, the supplier of the information or anyone else. As the information is likely to contain details of entrances, infrastructure, or toilets and changing rooms, this is likely to affect the school's ability to safeguard individuals at the premises.

### **Public Interest Test:**

This exemption is qualified and on that basis I have considered whether or not in this case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information. In order to do this, the following factors have been considered;

## Factors in favour of disclosure

• To release the information would be in the spirit of openness and transparency in which the Council operates • The information may be of interest to some members of the public • The information could be useful for users of the school

## Factors in favour of withholding

- The Council has a duty to provide a safe environment for members of the public especially children
- The information would be in the public domain therefore potentially provide intelligence allowing individuals to be targeted

Taking these factors into consideration, the City of Doncaster Council has decided that the reasons for withholding the information outweigh those for disclosing it and we will not be providing the information at this time.

The City of Doncaster Council estimates that it has cost £98 to respond to this request for information.

# Reviewing any decisions made:

If you are not happy with this reply you can ask us to review our response. To do this write to us within 40 working days of receiving your response at the address below or email FOIAppeals@doncaster.gov.uk

If you do not agree with the review decision you can apply to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision about our compliance or otherwise with the Freedom of Information legislation. Contact details for the ICO are: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. www.ico.org.uk Telephone 0303 123 1113.

Yours faithfully, Ellen Dook Information Governance Officer Corporate Resources City of Doncaster Council

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