# Worcestershire County Council Freedom of Information and Environmental Information Policy

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procedures in their team and must ensure that the staff member completes the mandatory FOI eLearning (or equivalent).

- 4.7 All staff must recognise that all recorded information may be provided to the public and that in every case the law requires that there will be full and unconditional disclosure unless one of the statutory exemptions/exceptions applies.
- 4.8 Relevant training for staff will be facilitated by CIGT. All Staff are required to complete the mandatory Freedom of Information training.

#### 5. Publication Scheme

- 5.1 FOI requires the Council to adopt and maintain a publication scheme. A publication scheme is a commitment to provide information routinely and proactively to the public.
- 5.2 The Council's online Publication Scheme specifies:
  - what information the council will make routinely available to the public
  - how it will do so, and
  - whether or not information will be made available free of charge or on payment of a fee

#### 6. General Rights of Access

6.1 In addition to

#### 14. Monitoring

- 14.1 The Council will regularly monitor and audit its Information Governance practices for compliance with this and other policies.
- 14.2 Audit services will be responsible for carrying out regular Information Governance Audits of all Directorates service areas. These will be conducted in accordance with the Chief Auditor's Audit Plan.
- 14.3 The results of these audits will be discussed with the Information Governance and Compliance Manager. Areas of High risk will be reported to Audit and Standards Committee, Senior Information Risk Owner and Information Governance Board.

# **Appendix 1: Definitions**

Term

Appendix 2:











