FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – 728/17

Dear Sir/Madam

Your request for information has now been considered and the information requested is provided below.

Request:

1. In the last financial year 2016/17 how many incidents did your authority record where refuse collectors were assaulted by members of the public while carrying out council duties? Please give a brief description of the circumstances of the incident.

NOTE: By refuse collectors I mean all employees whose main duties are involved in the collection of rubbish (all types) from homes and businesses with your authority.

NOTE: If the refuse collection duties are carried out by a third party company hired by the council the information is still HELD by the council, because it is information held on your behalf.

Response:

In Rutland, refuse collections are contracted out to Biffa Municipal Ltd (Biffa). This response has been produced in consultation with Biffa.

In the last financial year, 2016/17, there are no records of incidents whereby Biffa refuse collection staff were assaulted by members of the public while carrying out council duties.

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Yours faithfully

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