



15 May 2018

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – 594/18

Dear Sir/Madam

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

Request/Response:

I am writing under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request information about the use of any algorithms or machine-learning systems by your local authority. Specifically, I am asking the following:

1. Is your organisation using any algorithms and/or artificial intelligence software in the process of delivering public services?

Answer: Rutland County Council does not use algorithms or artificial intelligence to deliver public services.

2. If Yes, please provide details:

(i) Of the algorithms or artificial intelligence software you use;

Answer: Not Applicable

(ii) Of whether you use a commercial product or whether you have developed your own system;

Answer: Not Applicable

(iii) Of the purpose for which the algorithm and/or artificial intelligence software operates;

Answer: Not Applicable

(iv) Of the decisions the algorithm and/or artificial intelligence software is asked to make or assist;

Answer: Not Applicable

(v) Of the type, classification and amount of data that the algorithm and/or artificial intelligence software uses in the decision making process;

Answer: Not Applicable



(vi) Of the process by which the decision made or assisted by the algorithm is subject to human review;

Answer: Not Applicable

(vii) Of the process by which you inform an individual that they have been subject to a decision made or aided by an algorithm and/or artificial intelligence software?

Answer: Not Applicable

(viii) Of the process by which a member of the public can challenge a decision that has been made or aided by an algorithm and/or artificial intelligence software;

Answer: Not Applicable

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Yours faithfully

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