



27 September 2018

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – 1222/18

Dear Sir/Madam

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

Request / Response:

I would like to request some information under the Freedom of Information Act about weed killer products used by the council. I wish to ask the following questions:

1. Does the council use any garden/environmental products that contain glyphosate? If so, what are they?

Answer: The Council's Grounds Maintenance contractor and their sub-contractors use herbicides containing Glyphosate as the active ingredient. A specific list of herbicides used is not held.

2. Does the council use Roundup or RangerPro weed killer from company Monsanto? If so, which products?

Answer: The Council's Grounds Maintenance contractor and their sub-contractors use Roundup ProActive 360 (MAPP – 17380).

3. How much has the council spent on these items in five years? (Separated by each year and product)

Answer: Information not held. The purchase of these products is made by the Council's Grounds Maintenance contractor and their sub-contractors as part of the Grounds Maintenance Contract.

4. Does the council have immediate plans to discontinue use of the Roundup and RangerPro weed killer products or any other products mentioned? If so, why?

Answer: Rutland County Council has no immediate such plans. Testing (by the Council's Grounds Maintenance contractor) is ongoing to identify a suitable and practicable replacement.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request please contact the Head of Corporate Governance, Rutland County Council, Catmose, Oakham, Rutland LE15 6HP

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Yours faithfully

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