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Your ref:

Our ref: **RFI-2016-0987**

25 August 2016

Dear S13 (1)

**Request for information: RFI-2016-0987**

Thank you for your request for information received by us, today concerning cases where there has been a death with no known next of kin since 1<sup>st</sup> January 2016 This request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I can confirm that Newark and Sherwood District Council holds this information. However we are withholding that information since we consider that the exemption under section 21, information accessible to the applicant by other means, applies to it. The information is available to you from the Councils website. We publish a register with details of all Public Health funerals in the district. For more information please visit our website at the following link: <http://www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/adviceandbenefits/birthsdeathsandmarriages/publichealthfunerals/>

**Please note that as of today no new cases have been reported in August therefore the information as shown on our website is up to date.**

Therefore, this letter serves as a refusal notice as required under section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

If you have any further queries or concerns about the information provided please do not hesitate to contact us. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, starting the day after the date of this letter, we will consider the request closed.

If following our response to your query you are still dissatisfied you have the right to request an internal review. This will be conducted by the Director of Safety or the Deputy Chief Executive who have not been involved with the request or complaint until this point. Should you wish to proceed to this stage please advise us quoting the reference number at the top of this page.

Should you be dissatisfied with the outcome of any internal review to the Council you have a further right of appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office, details of which can be found on the Information Commissioner's website [www.ico.org.uk/](http://www.ico.org.uk/)

More details of this complaints process are available to view on our website at the following link: [www.newark-](http://www.newark-)

[sherwooddc.gov.uk/yourcouncil/makingarequestforinformation/accesstoinformation-complaintsprocedure/](http://sherwooddc.gov.uk/yourcouncil/makingarequestforinformation/accesstoinformation-complaintsprocedure/)

There is no charge for making an appeal at any stage.

Yours sincerely

David Clarke

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Information Governance Officer