

Second Data Protection Act, Subject Access Requests to Herefordshire Council Information Governance Officer, Anthony Sawyer

By 31st August we had received no correspondence or information from Herefordshire Social Services about the core assessment of child in need that Social worker Sarup Reehal was conducting. So we put in a second Freedom of Information Request (*referred to as a Subject Access Request*).

To
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31st August 2015

Dear Anthony Sawyer

Thank you for your letter of 20th August. From your explanations given I accept that I have just about got all the information I am going to get from my subject access request of 22nd June 2015. Thank you for your efforts and the information you have provided. You are the only bloke in Hereford Council to give me straight dealing with regards these issues.

Since my SAR of 22/6/2015 I believe that Herefordshires Childrens Wellbeing Directorate have generated and are holding further documentation regarding their case against my family.

From previous experiences I have absolutely no confidence that they will communicate this information to me openly and comprehensively. So please find attached a new Subject Access Request.

Confirmation of receipt and action upon this letter would be very much appreciated.

Yours Sincerely
Jim McGeown

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Dear Anthony Sawyer

Subject access request

James McGeown, Megan McGeown, Freya McGeown, Pippa McGeown, 1 Newton Cottages, Nr Weobley, Herefordshire, HR4 8QX.

Please supply the information about me I am entitled to under the Data Protection Act 1998 relating to:

Children's Wellbeing Directorate
Jo Davidson

Your Ref:

Our Ref:

Please ask for: Josh Davies

Direct Line / Extension: 01432 260180

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2nd July 2015

My name is Wayne Calder and I am a Team Manager in the MASH Team of Herefordshire Children's Wellbeing Directorate.

- The case has been transferred to our Child In Need (CIN) team for a more comprehensive assessment (referred to as a Core Assessment).

I believe this core assessment has been carried out by social worker Sarup Reehal. I understand that core assessments must be carried out in a timely fashion and are required to be completed in specified time period. So by any reckoning this documentation would have been created some time ago. May I have a full copy of it please.

Also full details of the elements of the assessment and information recorded. I believe these will include:-

Full details of multi agency meeting held around 11.30 am 16th June, New Bath St Offices. Should you feel there is a issue under section 30 of the data protection act 1998. Then a comprehensive summary of the meeting would be acceptable.

Full details including case notes/daily log entry for home visit by Sarup Reehal to 1 Newton Cottages on 22/06/2015.

Full details including case notes/daily log entry for visit by Sarup Reehal to St Marys Primary School, Dilwyn to asses my children on 08/07/2015. Also home visit later that day.

Full details including case notes/daily log entry for home visit by Sarup Reehal to 1 Newton Cottages on 15/07/2015. Also following this visit by Sarup Reehal to St Marys Primary School, Dilwyn playground/ playing field to asses my children.

Full details including case notes/daily log entry for visit by Sarup Reehal to Dilwyn Playgroup on 17/07/2015. Should you feel there is a issue under section 30 of the data protection act 1998. Then a comprehensive summary would be acceptable. Also home visit later that day.

If you need any more information from me, or additional fee, please let me know as soon as possible.

Yours Sincerely
Jim McGeown

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7th September 2015

Dear Mr McGeown,

Thank you for your letter of 31st August regarding your subject access request, received by us on 3rd September 2015. I'm sorry to hear that you have no confidence in social care communicating information to you. I will ask social care colleagues to provide me with the information that you have requested and at the same time ask them to seek ways to remedy their communication of information to you.

I will waive the fee in this instance and treat it as a continuation of your previous request, please find enclosed the ten pounds. This will not affect how your request is responded to.

I will aim to respond to your request as quickly as possible, and at any rate within the statutory 40 calendar days, that is, by 13th October 2015.

Yours sincerely,



ANTHONY SAWYER

INFORMATION GOVERNANCE PRINCIPAL OFFICER