

From: Foi Enquiries
Sent: 12 July 2019 10:01
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FOI-19-0821 - Ballot Paper
Attachments: V3 - Further Information - Right to Review & Appeal.pdf

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your information request of 14 June 2019. Aberdeen City Council (ACC) has completed the necessary search for the information requested. Our response is now detailed below.

my question is under the freedom of information act can you provide me with a copy of the voting ballot paper that gives voters the choice of who they can vote for the form in particular I am interested in is the one with the contender which states Aberdeen labour the reason I ask is I cannot remember that there was a contender with that name

Please note that after each election, used and unused ballot papers are sealed and can only be opened through a Court Order. After one year, in the event of no ongoing challenge, they are destroyed.

However, please see below the link to the full 2017 Council election results by ward, which do list how candidates identified themselves:

<https://www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/services/council-and-democracy/elections-and-voting/local-government-election-2017/local-government-election-2017-results>

As **copy of the voting ballot paper that gives voters the choice of who they can vote for the form in particular the one with the contender which states Aberdeen labour** is otherwise accessible through the above link on the Council website, it is exempt from disclosure. In order to comply with its obligations under the terms of Section 16 of the FOISA, ACC hereby gives notice that we are refusing your request under the terms of Section 25(1) - Information Otherwise Accessible - of the FOISA.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE HANDLING OF YOUR REQUEST

ACC handled your request for information in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. Please refer to the attached PDF for more information about your rights under FOISA.

We hope this helps with your request.

Yours sincerely,



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