Maidstone Borough Council

Freedom of Information Act Request

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Request and Response

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I should like to request the following information:

1. The name and address of each leisure centre run by the Council, or by an independent trust on the Council’s behalf, in (a) 2010 and (b) 2017.

   The Maidstone Leisure Centre, Mote Park, Maidstone ME15 7RN.

2. The total annual opening hours of each leisure centre in (1) in (a) 2010, and (b), 2017.

   Timings were the same in 2017 as they were in 2010, apart from festive openings that vary each year depending on which day Christmas Day falls.

   Mon – Fri, we open to the public 6.30am-10.30pm (16hrs), Sat - Sun and Bank holidays, we open 8am-8pm (12hrs) but are open until 12 midnight for events when they are booked in.

   On this basis, our annual opening hours are 5,408 hours per year, minus the hours closed for Christmas and plus the hours we’re open late for special events.

3. The total number of staff employed in each leisure centre in (1) in (a) 2010, and (b) 2017.

   Circa. 130 in 2010 to 140 in 2017. These numbers do not include self-employed staff and the numbers fluctuate due to seasonality i.e. more staff working over the summer than Christmas.