



## Response to Request for Information

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### ***Strategic Commitment to tackling loneliness, isolation, and social connectedness in older age***

#### **Request:**

1. Strategic Commitment to tackling loneliness, isolation, and social connectedness in older age
  - a) Does reducing loneliness, isolation and/or social connectedness feature in any of the Council's strategic planning documents (i.e. ageing well strategy, mental health strategy). Please send any supporting documents.
  - b) If so, how will progress be measured on the strategic commitment? Please provide documents or relevant links
  - c) Are you on target to fulfil agreed actions? Please provide any available evidence.
  
2. Measuring loneliness
  - a) Is loneliness in the local population measured in the JSNA or by any other means?  
  
Yes/no
  - b) If yes, how is it measured? Do provide links or attach documents.
  - c) If no, are there any future plans to measure loneliness in the local population?

#### **Response:**

We can confirm that the department holds information that you have asked for in relation to the above. However, the information is exempt under section 21 of the FOI Act because it is reasonably accessible to you, and I am pleased to inform you that you can access it on our website via the following links:

[NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED]

[https://search3.openobjects.com/mediamanager/wolverhampton/asch/files/dementia\\_strategy.pdf](https://search3.openobjects.com/mediamanager/wolverhampton/asch/files/dementia_strategy.pdf)

<https://wolverhamptonintranet.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=130&MIId=203>

<http://wolverhampton.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s6832/Item%2011%20-%20Appendix%201%20Mental%20Health%20Strategy.pdf>

Section 21(1) of the Freedom of Information Act exempts disclosure of information that is reasonably accessible by other means, and the terms of the exemption mean that we do not have to consider whether or not it would be in the public interest for you to have the information.

You can find out more about Section 21 by reading the extract from the Act, available at: <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2000/36/section/21>