

Council statement on cyber attack



Email addresses from the City of Edinburgh Council's database have been subjected to a cyber attack.

A council spokesperson said: "This was a malicious cyber attack on the council's website which is hosted in a UK data centre. It was dealt with swiftly and at no point were any council services affected.

"We are contacting everyone who has been affected to inform them of the incident and offer them advice and support. We have reassured individuals that the only details that have been accessed are their email addresses.

"The Information Commissioner's Office has been informed and preventative measures have been taken by the web service providers.

"We want to reassure the public the ongoing security of our website is critically important, and we continue to work with our service providers to ensure that the risks associated with attacks are dealt with."

If you have received an email from us confirming your address has been attacked, and you would like to speak to someone at the Council about any concerns you might have, please call 0131 200 2000 or email Responsive.Teamleaders@edinburgh.gov.uk with your contact details and we will call you back within the next 48hrs with a response to your queries or concerns.