

Freedom of Information Request No. 5262

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Request/Response

1. Does the council allow promotional and recruitment activities by the armed forces in public spaces/events?

No. Rother District Council has not received requests for this type of event in the past and doesn't have a policy in relation to allowing promotional and recruitment activities by the armed forces in public spaces/events. If such requests were made, the applications would be considered on a case by case basis. The applicant would need to prove to the council that the relevant insurances for public liability were in place. If an application was made for a large event (over 500 attendees), the applicant would be required to attend a meeting with an events group with representation from the council and its partners in the emergency services who would need to be satisfied that the event could be held safely. Risk assessments would need to be provided.

2. If yes to 1., does the council allow weapons and military vehicles to be part of these activities? N/A

3. If yes to 1., what is the procedure for the armed forces to undertake these activities? N/A

4. What is the council's policy on children (under 18 years old) handling military weapons in public spaces/events? The council doesn't have a policy relating to this.

5. What policies inform the council's position on this, in relation to event licensing, safeguarding, the Armed Forces Covenant etc. N/A