



Derry City & Strabane
District Council

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Ref: FOI / 677

29 July 2016

Ms

Email: @hotmail.com

Dear Ms

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request Spend on Training Courses FY15 and FY16

I refer to your FOI request as above.

Please note that Derry City and Strabane District Council was formed under the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 effective 1 April 2015 and replaces the former councils of Derry City Council and Strabane District Council. Requests made to the legacy councils since 1 April 2015 are being handled by Derry City and Strabane District Council and duplicate requests made to the legacy councils are being treated as one request.

Under Section 16 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 "duty to advise and assist" as outlined above, Council notes that you are seeking access to records (FY15) for 2 legal entities which no longer exist. As outlined above, Derry City and Strabane District Council came into legal existence on 01 April 2015. I can further confirm that records from the legally extant Councils while held, are held in different locations, servers, systems and software packages. As you are aware, Section 12(1) of the FOIA contains a provision which allows a public authority to refuse to comply with a request for information where the cost of compliance is estimated to exceed a set limit known as the appropriate limit. For local authorities, this limit is set at £450 - The Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulation 2004 SI 2004 No 3244 refers.

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We can nevertheless, provide you with information which you may find of relevance to your request. Please see attached excel spreadsheet. I would inform you however that our cost codes do not specifically identify the nature and type of all training courses undertaken and to give you the exact information would entail many hours of sifting through 2 years of individual invoices which would exceed the appropriate limit as outlined above.

If you are dissatisfied with our response you have rights of review and appeal; these rights consist of two review processes. Firstly our internal review procedure is available by contacting:

John Kelpie
Chief Executive
Derry City and Strabane District Council
98 Strand Road
Derry BT48 7NN
Tel 028 71253253 or email john.kelpie@derrystrabane.com

Secondly, you can appeal directly by contacting the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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Tel: 0303 123 1113 (local rate) or email: casework@ico.org.uk

Yours sincerely

Lead HR Officer

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