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Ref: FOI / 2063

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Email: @derrystrabane.com

Dear Mr

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request Health & Community Training Budgets

We have considered your request for a formal review of our response, which the Chief Executive has asked me to review. The scope of this internal review is to ensure that the response provided to your FOI request was reasonable and all relevant information held by Council was released.

You also clarified your request for an itemised breakdown of post entry training within Leisure for the past three years. I will deal with this clarification firstly.

I can confirm an approximate figure of money spend on post entry over the 3 years as requested, which is £9392.86. This is a figure based on invoices from University of Ulster and other third level colleges.

The invoices referred to are however, not specific to just post entry training and there are also other courses approved through post entry which are not included in this total. The extent of the breakdown Council can provide is per year, ie:

2015–16: £527.20

2016–17: £5000

2017–18: £3865.66

As mentioned in our earlier response Council advise that due to the nature of our coding system, in order to provide you with a breakdown of the post entry expenditure for the past 3 years for the leisure section within health and community it would take in excess of the appropriate limit of 18 hours or £450.

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Council therefore exempt this information under Section 12(1) of the FOIA. Please treat this as a refusal notice under section 17 of the Act.

Secondly, regarding your request for a review of our initial response, your request asked:

Could I request an itemised breakdown of the training/post entry expenditure for the past 3 years for the leisure section within health and community.

Clarified: I am looking for the itemised breakdown of post entry and development training and not the mandatory training of staff.

Council's response was that whilst held by Derry City & Strabane District Council, the information is not held in the format in which you request and Council therefore invoked the exemption at Section 12(1) of the FOIA. Having examined the information available I find the initial response correct in the estimation that the appropriate limit would be exceeded if Council were to supply you with the information as requested.

I therefore uphold the original response and advise that our investigation is now concluded. If however you remain dissatisfied with this response, you can appeal directly to:

Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
CHESHIRE SK9 5AF

Tel: 0303 123 1113 (local rate) or email: casework@ico.org.uk

Yours sincerely

Head of Community Development & Leisure
On behalf of
Chief Executive