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Our ref: FOI Review 2009/166-F0072674

19 October 2009

Mr James Watson
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Dear Mr Watson,

Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 – Review Outcome

I write with regard to your request for a review of the University's response to your Freedom of Information request (Our Ref FOI Review 2009/166-F0072674). Your areas of concern relate to our response to your FOI request 2009/145 – F0068743 of 26 August 2009 timed 1224 hours. Specifically you have asked us to review our responses to:

“who authorised the expenditure?” and

“was this level of expenditure (ie £293,982) planned prior to the due diligence phase?”

The University has reviewed these responses and has concluded that they are correct. With respect to approval of the expenditure, the University's Senior Management Group (SMG) approved a budget of £653.6k for Phase I of the Student Lifecycle Project: Phase I encompassed that part of the project prior to the contract with the supplier being signed i.e. including the due diligence. The level of spend is clearly within the budget allocated.

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Please be advised there is a right of appeal to the Court of Session against the Commissioner's decisions, but only on a point of law.

Yours sincerely,

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