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Our ref: Fol Review 2010/01-F0084126

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Mr Wolfram Bayer
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Dear Mr Bayer,

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 Fol 2009/205-F0080188) concerning the cost and viability of the Student Lifecycle Project. You have asked that we review the response to your 1st question concerning who approved the overspend on Phase 1 of the Project and what case was made.

I have reviewed the response made to you and, while it does not answer your questions 1 (a), (b) and (c) directly the response made is correct. There is perhaps confusion over expenditure on Phase 1 of the project (the pre-contract phase) and expenditure incurred in particular years which I will attempt to clarify:

The cost budgets for the Student Lifecycle Project (SLP) in 2007/08 and 2008/09, as set through the University's budget setting process, were £650k and £3,320k respectively. All expenditure charged against the project was authorised in line with the hierarchical structure of delegated authority which governs budgetary authority across the University. Pre contract SLP expenditure was incurred in 2007/08 and 2008/09 and has been charged against the annual budgets in line with the delegated authorities in place for this project. Pre and post contract expenditure is therefore contained within the overall budgets set in these two years for the delivery of SLP as a whole.

I hope you will agree therefore that there was no overspend on budget and therefore no need for a case to be made and approved or otherwise.

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Yours sincerely,

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