

Mr James Watson

by email

Reference: FOI-2009-147

13 January 2010

Dear Mr Watson,

Your request was received on 12 December 2009 and I am dealing with it under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

You asked:

"Have you procured a student information system during the past seven years?"

The University procured a student information system within the past seven years. Contracts were confirmed with two suppliers in May 2004. Work began on 1st June 2004.

If so, could you please tell me the approximate cost of the due diligence of that procurement?"

We do not hold the information requested. Due diligence work was undertaken, over a period of months, by a number of departments across the University (including Central Purchasing Officer, Management Information Services Division and the Legal Services Office). It is not possible, particularly at this stage, to quantify the extent or the cost of that work.

I am also interested to know the amount that you paid to the supplier of your student information system for the due diligence."

We did not make any specific payment in respect of due diligence work to the suppliers concerned.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of this decision, you should write to the Administrative Secretary, quoting the reference above, at the Secretariat, The Old Schools, Cambridge, CB2 1TN. If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information



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Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the University. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Kirsty Allen'.

Kirsty Allen