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Brent Council - INFORMATION REQUEST

Our Reference: 591931

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Dear Mr Turp

I am writing in response to the Freedom of Information request you made on 6th March in the following terms and to apologise for the delay in so doing.

You asked:

Why exactly did Mr Wood leave the council? Please be specific about this. He did not go on to another post in local government but is rumoured to have retired to France. How old was he at the time? What were the financial terms bearing in mind that he was not of early retirement age [I am almost certain of this].

The information we can disclose in response to your request is as follows:

Mr Charles Wood retired from the post of Chief Executive with the Council on 30th November 1994 on the grounds of ill health. At retirement Mr Wood was 44 years of age. The terms of his retirement on the grounds of ill health were in accordance with the Local Government Pension Scheme and the Local Government Superannuation Regulations 1986.

You will appreciate that the information you have requested is personal data and as such is governed by the terms of the Data Protection Act 1998. Section 40 (2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 provides, inter alia, that personal data about persons other than an applicant for information is exempt from Section 1 of the Act, if disclosure would breach any of the Data Protection principles. The first data protection principle provides that :

1. Personal data shall be processed fairly and lawfully and, in particular, shall not be processed unless—

(a) at least one of the conditions in Schedule 2 is met, and

(b) in the case of sensitive personal data, at least one of the conditions in Schedule 3 is also met.

Information about health is sensitive personal data and there are no grounds to disclose any information of this description. The only relevant condition for disclosing non sensitive personal data is Condition 6 of schedule 2. Where a request is made under the

Freedom of Information Act this involves weighing the public interest in disclosure against the data subject's right of privacy.

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foi@brent.gov.uk. It is the Council's policy to ensure that, where practicable, your complaint is dealt with by someone who was not involved in the original decision.

You also have a right of appeal about our decision to the Information Commissioner, however, the Information Commissioner will not normally consider an appeal until you have exhausted your rights of redress and complaint to the Council. The Information Commissioner can be contacted as follows:
Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF; Telephone: 01625 545 700, www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk

Please accept my apologies for the delay in responding to your request.

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