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**Liverpool  
City Council**

Dear Sir/Madam

**Freedom of Information Request 2475899**

Thank you for your recent request received. Your request was actioned under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in which you requested the following information –

*(a) Bobbie Johnson has said his company in Mann Island, Liverpool, works with The Liverpool council planning committee, the Mayor and has been for many years, could your office please look into this?*

*(b) Bobbie Johnson has said a member of the Liverpool council like to take or expect backhanders, gifts, holidays, etc could the Liverpool Mayor (Joe Anderson explain how his name and logo was then used at the site of the (Stand Plaza) site just across the road from the Mayors own office?*

*(c) Has the Mayor's club or fund taken any payments from Primesite, Stand Plaza, Herculaneum Quay, the Rise building, or Kerry Tomlinson over the last 10 years?*

*(d) Will the Mayor now look into his own planning officers to see if any of the staff were involved in kickbacks, as some investors are going to the SFO and the NCA with information into this and a number of scams that may have taken place*

**Response:**

Liverpool City Council would advise as follows –

- a) This is a statement and not a valid question under Freedom of Information legislation.
- b) Culture Liverpool developed a 12 month programme of major festivals, exhibitions and 'one off' transformational events in celebration of Liverpool's European Capital of Culture 10 year anniversary.

Culture Liverpool contacted developers and contractors with developments in areas of high footfall/traffic regarding the potential to promote the celebratory year by utilising development hoardings, potential building wraps etc, to amplify messaging and further enhance the dressing of the city's assets and estate (flags, banners, gateway signs etc.).

Primesite offered the use of their development façade which was taken up by the team. The Culture Liverpool Marketing and Commercial team made the decision to include the Mayoral Club logo on the hoarding alongside a suite of other partner logos to raise the profile of the Mayoral Club initiative. There was no offer of Mayoral Club membership made in return, no access was offered or sought to the Mayoral Club and no money or other form of consideration was exchanged.

- c) No.
- d) This is a statement and not a valid question for information under Freedom of Information legislation.

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This concludes our response.

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If you remain dissatisfied you may also apply to the Information Commissioner for a decision about whether the request for information has been dealt with in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner's website is [www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk) and the postal address and telephone numbers are:- Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF. Telephone: 0303-123-113. Email –[mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk) (they advise that their email is not secure). I trust this information satisfies your enquiry.

Yours sincerely  
**Information Team**