

Enquiries to: Information Team
Our Ref: FOI 3117221

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**Liverpool
City Council**

Dear Ms Wong

Freedom of Information Request 3117221

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

1/ Will Cllr Jane Corbett and the Liverpool echo reporter Alistair Houghton explain why no members of the investors group have been told and have been kept in the dark?

2/ Has this (FISP) report been closed in the event that it may link a member of the council, Mr Nick Kavanagh, to some of the developments and failed sites?

3/ What are the total number of his (Kavanagh's) past dealing with all developers and the acting agents or and solicitors as from 2011 to 2019 has the planning office kept all his records of meeting with all the developers and his computer files?

4/ Please supply the total cost from August 2018 and the hours spent on this along with the names of all the Echo reporters who sat in on these meeting

Response:

Liverpool City Council confirms that it holds information relevant to the terms of your request, our response being set out below –

1. This is not a valid request for information under Freedom of Information legislation.
2. This is a statement and comment and is substantially not a valid request for information. Insofar as the publication of the final report of the Scrutiny Panel concerned, this will take place once the current public health emergency arising from the Coronavirus Covid-19 has passed and when the relevant Select Committee is able to meet. This information is therefore intended for future publication under the provisions of Section 22 Freedom of Information Act 2000.
3. It is standard practice for City Council Officers to meet and engage with residents, local businesses, applicants and agents in relation to development proposals for sites within the city. To the extent that formal applications for development are submitted then relevant records are retained. To the extent that communications are received during the ordinary course of business these are retained to the extent that these are required for ongoing operational or legislative purposes.
4. We have no operational or legislative requirement to disaggregate the costs of individual scrutiny activities. With regard to matters relating to the Liverpool Echo we would advise you contact that publication directly.

This concludes our response.

The City Council will consider appeals, referrals or complaints in respect of your Freedom of Information Act 2000 and you must submit these in writing to

Informationrequests@liverpool.gov.uk within 28 days of receiving your response. The

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matter will be dealt with by an officer who was not previously involved with the response and we will look to provide a response within 40 days.

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 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 (they advise that their email is not secure)

I trust this information satisfies your enquiry.

Yours sincerely

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