

Enquiries to: Information Team
Our Ref: FOI 4356354



**Liverpool
City Council**

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Dear Kelly Lee

Freedom of Information 4356354

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. Please supply the reason as to why Cllr Malcolm Kennedy now resides in Spain and do the residents of his ward in Kirkdale /Vauxhall approve of this?*
- 2. Please supply the past two years of Cllr Kennedy's expense and all payments made to him from the Liverpool city council.*
- 3. Please supply just how long Cllr Kennedy has been out in Spain and are the rate payers footing his bills and flights to and from?*
- 4. Please supply what has happened to the Lawton's building on Leeds street Vauxhall, and the New metalwork's project that both Cllr Kennedy and Cllr Joe Hanson had fully backed along with the mayor, yet not one local job on site and the developer now in the UAE, will both these pair of councilors explain what's going on in this ward.*
- 5. Cllr Hanson in 2018/19 had fully endorsed this project saying it would bring in construction jobs and that Everton FC, had invested into the metalwork's along with a number of players, Mr Antonio Garcia the person behind this failed project was given the green light from the LCC to move forward and now he has vanished into thin air.*
- 6. Tony Freeman (Convicted con man) had his son and staff working on the Metal works scamming buyers, and MSB solicitors Liverpool acted for the buyers and the Freeman's asking for a fee of thousands of pounds in upfront payments, has the Liverpool city council had any phone calls ,emails, or letters from any investor or overseas investors with regards to the Metalwork project?*

Response:

Liverpool City Council would advise as follows –

1. As you may be aware, there has been an ongoing global pandemic since March 2020, which placed considerable restrictions on travel both internally within the UK as well as to and from overseas. Councillor Kennedy was and continues to be affected by these travel restrictions and will return to the UK in due course. Councillor Kennedy is participating in Committee Meetings on a virtual basis in accordance and compliance with Regulations governing the conduct of virtual meetings and continues to receive and respond to queries and casework from his constituents.
2. Information on allowances and expenses payments for Councillor Kennedy and all other elected members is already in the public domain and reasonably accessible to you. As such and in accordance with the application of Section 21 Freedom of Information Act 2000, we would refer you to the following weblink –

Liverpool City Council Information Team
Cunard Building, Water Street, Liverpool, L3 1DS
E: informationrequests@liverpool.gov.uk

3. This information is not held by Liverpool City Council nor is it a matter for Liverpool City Council. We can confirm that Councillor Kennedy is there in a personal capacity and the City Council has not paid any form of expense associated with this.
4. This is a statement and comment and not a valid request for information under Freedom of Information legislation.
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6. The City Council receive communications on a wide range of issues relating to matters within the city.

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 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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Information Team

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