Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 Our Ref: 386-18

I refer to your request for information under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 dated 12 November 2018.

The University's response

1. The University's annual budget for student mental health services for the academic years 2012/13 through 2017/18.

Mental health support, including counselling and other welfare services is provided for our students, by the University's Student Services function. Student Services offer a range of support to students in all aspects of their life, during their time with St Andrews. This can include signposting students to NHS Services where appropriate to do so.

The Student Services budget, does not attribute costs for mental health/welfare activities etc. The Student Services budget is structured to present costs for staff, accommodation, ICT and other resources used to develop, maintain and run the range of services provided, of the unit as whole. The University does not record information in the way or to the level of detailed needed to answer your request.

Freedom of Information law (FOISA, section 17(1)) requires that the University confirms in writing where information requested of it is not held. For the reasons noted above, the University does not hold any information that would enable it to answer part 1

of your request.

2. The number of students enrolled at the University for the academic years 2012/13 through 2017/18.

	Number of	
Academic Year	Students	
2012-13		7582
2013-14		7860
2014-15		8206
2015-16		8420
2016-17		8786
2018-17		9140

3. The number of students who have been enrolled in and treated by student mental health services in the academic years 2012/13 through 2017/18.

The table, below, details the number of students who have approached the University's Student Services function to make use of the mental health services available to them.

	Number of
Academic Year	students
2012-13	177
2013-14	169
2014-15	711
2015-16	1252

2016-17	1310
2018-17	1269

Students may have been in contact with Student Services in person, by phone, email, letter, text, message or video call.

As requested the information you have requested, where held, has been provided in Microsoft Excel format, which accompanies the University's response.

Your right to seek a review of how your information request was managed

If you are not satisfied with the University's response and/or our reasoning set-out above, you have the right to request a review of our decision. The time lines in which this right is available are set out in section 20(5)(a) and (b) FOISA. In broad terms the right to seek a review must be exercised within 40 working days of receiving this response.

Any request for review should be put in writing or some other permanent form e.g. an e-mail and should be sent to the University of St Andrews, through the contact details provided below.

A request for a Review should:

- a) state your name and address;
- b) describe the nature of your original request; and
- c) explain the reasons why you are dissatisfied with our response.

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If you remain dissatisfied with how your request for information has been dealt with following Review, you also have the right to apply to the Scottish Information Commissioner (SIC) for a decision. In the event of an appeal to the SIC, the Commissioner will generally only be able to investigate the matters raised in the request for review.

Details on how to make an appeal online to the SIC can be found on their website: http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/YourRights/Unhappywiththeresponse/AppealingtoCommissioner.aspx

Alternatively, you can contact the SIC by post, telephone or email at:

Scottish Information Commissioner Kinburn Castle Doubledykes Road St Andrews Fife KY16 9DS Telephone: 01334 464610

E-mail: enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info Website: www.itspublicknowledge.info

This concludes the University's response.

Yours sincerely,

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