

Enquiries to: Information Team
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City Council

Dear Mr Radnedge

Freedom of Information Request 2654299

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 –

Q 1/ Will the Mayor please then explain to the public and the police as to why for over 3 years now he and his staff were all handed information along with intelligence on 'Nick Kavanagh, Cllr Ann O'byrne and four others including Cllr Gary Millar as was all the four reporters in Reach PLC Liverpool Echo, along with Reach PLC Mr. S. Fox London?

Q2/ Joe Anderson himself along with Liam Thorp a reporter from the Liverpool echo has known of this scandal for years or was 'Kavanagh' running the show himself?

Q3/ A number of e-mails, letters to the Mayor have all been logged over the past two years so would the Mayor like us to forward these to the police that may assist them? Cllr Ann O'Byrne was the Director of housing and worked with Nick Kavanagh, from August 2014 has the Mayor asked to listen to the tape recording of Nick and Ann in a number of meeting in which someone had recorded a number of conversations and also how did PHD1 and NPG Ltd win the bid?

Q4/Has the Mayor not known of the £1,800 cash payment from PHD1 to the Liverpool Labour party and the other £89,000 in cash payments over 2014/15, the Labour HQ London knew all about it as did 39 members of the Liverpool labour party in Liverpool, so how could the Mayor of Liverpool not be told?

Q5/ Does the Mayor not recall a number of letters sent to him and his staff where he was told that a number of ex- echo reporters. and echo reporters could go 'Moonlighting' for a number of PR agents who needed all and any information to sell to the bent developers?

Response:

Liverpool City Council would advise that Freedom of Information legislation applies to information held by a public authority, in this instance Liverpool City Council. As such we would advise that with regard to points (1) to (5) these constitute statements, speculation and comment to which no response is required as these do not fall under the provisions of Freedom of Information legislation.

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

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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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