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Please ask for: Tel: Freedom of Information 01604 368360

Our ref: Your ref:

Date:

8th February 2018

FR7946

Dear Mr Peleszok,

Information Request: FR7946

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request dated 3rd February 2018which was received by us on 5th February 2018. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act and is detailed below in italics with our response in bold.

(Please note the extract below has been taken directly from your original information request and is unedited).

Can I please request a breakdown of all allowances/ payments made to Cllr Allan Matthews since first elected.

A breakdown of his attendance record for council meetings and committees he sits on.

Also any voting records for council decisions at full council or committee level.

Clarification received for Q3

I am requesting information for all formal votes that have taken place at council level that Cllr Matthews has either voted for or against or abstained from.

I.e. for option 4 on the libraries closures how did Cllr Matthews vote?

I would like to see how he represents his local electorates interests.

Our Response

The Freedom of Information Team has been provided with the following information in response to your recent request on behalf of Northamptonshire County Council (NCC).

1) Please find attached a breakdown of allowances paid to all councillors from April 2013 to March 2017. Cllr Matthews was elected in May 2013 and his data is included in these

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documents. For the current year, I can advise that he has received £11050.30 in allowance payments (basic plus special responsibility allowance as a member of the adoption/fostering panel and has claimed £813.67 in expenses.)

- 2) Please find attached a breakdown of attendance for all councillors for the period in question. The current year is not complete but I have updated Cllr Matthews' attendance figures. The committees of which he is a member are shaded white. The committees of which he is not a member are shaded grey.
- 3) Individual votes are not usually recorded at meetings. The exception is council meetings where a recorded vote is either requested by the requisite number of councillors or is required by law. I have attached minutes of each of the meetings at which recorded votes have been taken over the period requested. The record of votes is appended to the minutes in each case.

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Mr Simon Deacon Reviewing Officer Northamptonshire County Council One Angel Square Angel Street Northampton NN1 1ED

Email dataprotection@northamptonshire.gcsx.gov.uk

If our internal review does not resolve the issue to your complete satisfaction, you have the right to apply to the information Commissioner for a decision at the following address:

Information Commissioner Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Or, if you have any complaints in respect of your information request please complete the on-line comments form that can be found at www.northamptonshire.gov.uk, along with a full set of guidance.

Yours sincerely

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