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Dear Mr Sheehan

Re: Your request for information: Ref No. 503848

Thank you for your request for information that was received on 5 March 2015. Please accept our apologies for the delay and any inconvenience occasioned in providing this response. You requested:

The Aylesbury estate has had an ongoing protest occupation since the March for Homes on the 31st Jan 2015 till the sending of this FOI on the 4/3/2015. In this month the occupation, going under the name Fight for the Aylesbury (@fight4aylesbury on twitter), has occupied two different blocks of flats.

Can I please know how much Southwark has spent and owes on the following costs related to the occupation from 31/1/2015 to 4/3/2015 and a break down of what was spent (or is now owed), when and to who on each of the areas listed below (eg. 200pound paid to Joe Bloggs law firm for representation in court on ??/2/2015, 100 pound owed to Lambeth County Court for application for an Interim Possession order (IPO) for 69-76 Chartridge House etc.)

## The areas of spending:

1) The legal costs (spent and owed) of getting the IPO and possession orders for 69-76 Chartridge (Westmoreland Road, SE17 2BZ) and 77-105 Chartridge. Unfortunately, we are unable to provide an answer to question 1 as all the legal charges in relation to this ongoing case had been recorded in one file which included other proceedings in addition to the ones mentioned in question 1 of your request. This file also includes some completely unrelated advice and therefore in the circumstances it is not possible to separate those specific costs which had been spent in relation to getting the IPO and possession orders for 69/76 Chartridge and 77/105 Chartridge from the charges in the rest of the file. It is therefore not possible to answer this question.

2) The costs spent and owed on security hired to patrol around the occupation and Aylesbury estate from 31/1/2015 to 4/3/2015.

We are unable to provide any information relating to costs as the council has yet to be invoiced.

It is anticipated invoices will be submitted by mid-late May 2015 at which point you are welcome to re-submit your request.

3) The costs spent and owed on physically securing both 69-76 and 77-105 Chartridge House, and also for erecting the fence that now surrounds the part of the Aylesbury estate bound by Albany Road, Portland St, Westmoreland Road and Bradenham Close.

We estimate a final account figure of £140,000.00 for the timber hoarding, palisade fencing with gates, and lighting.

In addition, there is an estimated cost of a further £10,000.00 to repair the fence after the recent occupation.

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