



South Tyneside Council

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Date: 5th January 2015
Our Ref: FOI 14 14537

Dear Mr Logan

Freedom of Information Request

I refer to your Freedom of Information Request received on 24th October 2014. Please accept my sincere apology for the delay in providing you with a response.

Your request asked for the following information:

Your Request

Please provide me with a breakdown of all Expenses / Remuneration / expenses paid to the Chair and Vice Chair individually, over the past 12 months.

Please also provide me with the transport arrangement which are provided to each of the above to attend STH meetings / appointments over the past 12 months.

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Please provide me with the exact date that the previous Chair resigned from the STH Board.

Please provide me with the exact date that Isobel Riley left STH.

Please advise me what the selection criteria was for the position of Chair after the previous Chair resigned or retired.

Please advise me who was involved in the selection panel / decision to appoint the current Chair and who were the selection panel who chose the current Chair.

Please advise me what experience / qualifications the current Chair has to be the Chair of STH.

Please advise me where the Chairs position was advertised after the previous Chair left STH.

Please forward me a copy of the advertisement which was used by STH to recruit the Chair

Council's Response

South Tyneside Council does hold the information you have requested, however the Council has decided to refuse to deal with this request on the basis that it is not a valid request Under Section 8(1)(c) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

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Information Commissioner's Office (ICO)

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The ICO's contact details are as follows: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, SK9 5AF. More information can be found on the ICO's website at www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk.

If you have any further queries about this matter, please do not hesitate to contact us on (0191) 424 6539, or by emailing foi@southtyneside.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

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