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# Bolton Council

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Dear Ms Carter

## Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Further to your request for information received at this office on 25 June 2008, Bolton Council is happy to provide the following information.

You asked:

1. *Please detail total expenditure by Bolton Borough Council on Common Purpose courses for each of the following years: 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008 to date.*

The Council spent £585 (excluding VAT) on Common Purpose courses in 2006 and £4225 (excluding VAT) in 2007. This is our only expenditure on Common Purpose courses.

2. *Please also supply a copy of the invoice for each Common Purpose course paid for by Bolton Borough Council.*

The Freedom of Information Act provides a right of access to information, rather than to specific documents. The amounts referred to above relate to the following invoices:

Invoice date	Course	Amount (ex VAT)
28 November 2006	Common Purpose Power Dynamic Europe	£585
20 November 2007	Common Purpose TheKNOW	£4225

Should you disagree with our decisions in relation to your request, you may appeal to:

The Director of Legal & Democratic Services, Bolton Council, Town Hall, Bolton, BL1 1RU

Alan Eastwood Director of Legal and Democratic Services



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Should you further disagree with the decision following the appeal you may wish to contact the Information Commissioner:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF

[www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk)

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Should you have any other queries, please contact me.

Yours sincerely

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