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Response to a Freedom of Information request from Abdul Hai received on 22 February 2020, in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("FOIA").

From: Abdul Hai <request-648872-9c3276b5@whatdotheyknow.com>
 Sent: 22 February 2020 14:20
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 Subject: Freedom of Information request - CO2 emissions

Dear York St John University,

How much have you generated since 2015 per year?
 What plans if any do you have to cut it?
 How much extra will those plans cost?

Yours faithfully,

Abdul Hai

Question 1	
How much CO2 emissions have you generated since 2015 per year?	
Response 1	
The following table shows the amount of CO2 emissions generated per academic year since 2014/15.	
Academic Year	CO2 Emissions (Tonnes)
2014 – 15	4258.08
2015 – 16	3518.23
2016 – 17	3563.58
2017 – 18	2998.11
2018 – 19	2617.72

Question 2	
What plans if any do you have to cut it?	
Response 2	
The University's target is to achieve net zero emissions by 2050, and reduce core carbon emissions by 80% by 2030 (against a 2005 baseline). This will be achieved by improved energy efficiency, power purchase agreements, increased renewable energy generation, a cleaner electricity grid, fuel switching, and forthcoming technological developments.	

Question 3	
How much extra will those plans cost?	
Response 3	
This has not been fully costed as the detailed strategy is currently being finalised, but a provisional sum of £1.5M for dedicated projects alongside integration with other construction and refurbishment projects has been estimated as necessary to achieve this. This figure will be revised in the course of strategy revisions and progress against the target.	

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