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Dear Mr Allenach

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 ("FOIA") – INTERNAL REVIEW – REF: Mr Allenach (Cost of Temporary Traffic Lights on Dunchurch Road)

Your request for an internal review has now been considered and I am able to provide you with the outcome. In undertaking this review, I have considered your request for information afresh and in doing so I have considered the following items of correspondence relevant to your request for review:

- 1. Your request for information received on 20th April 2019
- 2. The Council's email acknowledging your request dated 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2019
- 3. Further clarificatory information submitted by you on 29th April 2019
- 4. The Council's response to your request dated 8th May 2019
- 5. Your request for an internal review dated Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2019 but received on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2019
- 6. The Council's email dated 20th May 2019 acknowledging your request for internal review.

I have also consulted the relevant officers, and considered the requirements of the FOIA regime in so far as it applies to your request, including relevant guidance from the Information Commissioner's Office ("ICO"). I have set out below a brief chronology and then my conclusions.

## **Chronology**

On 23<sup>rd</sup> April an email was sent to you asking for clarification of the exact location of the traffic lights and the timeframe of the expenditure.

On 29<sup>th</sup> April 2019 the initial assessment was made into the information you requested and assigned to the relevant person.

On the 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019 and email was sent from Julie Seymour confirming "all related costs are being borne by the Developer and therefore there is no weekly cost to the Council".





On the 20<sup>th</sup> May we received a request for an internal review of our handling to your FOI request, objecting on the basis that you had been given information comprising expenditure less income.

## Conclusion

To supplement the information previously supplied by Julie Seymour, I have been able to ascertain that the total cost of providing the temporary crossing for the period 3/9/18 (date of installation) to 28/2/19 is £29,980.89. This equates to an average cost of £1,153.11 per week. These are estimated costs as the final actual costs will be confirmed on completion of the permanent crossing facility construction of which is in progress. These costs are incurred by the Developer in full and not by Warwickshire County Council.

## **Next Steps**

I do hope that this internal review addresses the issue you have raised.

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the review, you may wish to appeal to the ICO, at the following address:

Compliance Team (Complaints)
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely

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