

Mr. Jeff Stevens

11 March 2016
Ref: 4997497

Dear Mr. Stevens

Freedom of Information Act 2000

I can confirm that the information requested is held by Brent Council. I have enclosed copies of the information that is being released to you.

- In the current municipal year, how many councillors receive a 'special responsibility allowance' in addition to their basic allowance? Please provide this both as both a number and as percentage of all councillors.

Currently, 60 Councillors receive a 'special responsibility allowance'. This represents 95% of all elected members.

- Of those councillors in receipt of an SRA, how many receive an allowance for working full-time (5 days a week) on council business?

Brent does not award an allowance for working full-time on council business.

- For each of the past 3 years:
o What was the total cost of councillor allowances?

This information is enclosed.

o Of that total, how much was made up of basic allowances?

This information is enclosed.

o How much was 'special responsibility allowances'?

This information is enclosed.

o How much was other allowances (e.g. childcare, travel, phone, meeting attendance etc

No other allowances were claimed by Members.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Brent Civic Centre
Engineers Way
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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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

Phone: 0303 123 1113

Website: www.ico.gov.uk

I will now close your request as of this date.

Yours sincerely

Thomas Cattermole