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Dear Mr Tully,

**Freedom of Information Request 514189**

Thank you for your recent request received 12 January 2017. Your request was actioned under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in which you requested the following information –

*“Do councillors draw their allowances when they are unable to fulfill their duties, e.g. when ill or abroad on holiday?”*

*Do councillors have to provide a sick note when absent due to illness?*

*If a councillor can only fulfill partial duties, are the allowances paid pro rata, in view of the current economic climate to save money in every aspect of council activity?*

*How many councillors have been unable to fulfill their duties and provided sick notes in the last 12 (twelve ) months?.”*

**Response:**

Liverpool City Council's responses to your request are as follows –

City Councillors are elected to hold Public Officer and are not employees of the City Council. Each Ward is represented by three Councillors and as such in the absence of one or more colleagues their Ward activities are addressed by their colleagues. On this basis –

1. No.
2. No.
3. No.
4. Not applicable.

This concludes our response.

The City Council will consider appeals, referrals or complaints in respect of your Freedom of Information Act 2000 and you must submit these in writing to [Informationrequests@liverpool.gov.uk](mailto:Informationrequests@liverpool.gov.uk) within 28 days of receiving your response.

The matter will be dealt with by an officer who was not previously involved with the response and we will look to provide a response within 40 days.

If you remain dissatisfied you may also apply to the Information Commissioner for a decision about whether the request for information has been dealt with in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

The Information Commissioner's website is [www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk) and the postal address and telephone numbers are:-

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF. Fax number 01625 524 510, DX 20819, Telephone 01625 545745. Email – [mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk) (they advise that their email is not secure)

I trust this information satisfies your enquiry.

Yours sincerely

*A Lewis*

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