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Dear John

**RE: Freedom of Information Request 411 – Funding for Mental Health in Colleges AY21/22**

Thank you for your information request of 12<sup>th</sup> October 2021 in relation to funding for mental health. Having considered your request and consulted with relevant colleagues, our response is provided below.

- 1. Please provide details of the amount of additional funding allocated to you by Scottish Funding Council for Mental Health in Colleges for AY 21-22. For the avoidance of doubt, I am referring to the funding provided which was supplementary to the college's core funds.**

Full details for all Colleges is available in this public document - [Funding for Mental Health in colleges AY 2021-22 \(sfc.ac.uk\)](https://www.sfc.ac.uk/Funding-for-Mental-Health-in-colleges-AY-2021-22)

The Lanarkshire Region has been allocated £461,036.

New College Lanarkshire's allocation was £337,809.

- 2. Please advise what proportion of these funds will be spent or is proposed to be spent on Support Staff/Lecturing Staff/Students. Please provide separate figures for each.**

We do not differentiate between the staff groups when providing support. Estimates of the proportions are provided below:

**Staff** = £26523.33 based on figures allocated to spend to date. Other mental health activities are also planned within the Staff Development Academy, for example the Strengthening Leadership Mental Fitness programme.

**Students** = £236111.42 based on figures allocated to spend to date.

- 3. Please advise how the additional funds will be spent or are proposed to be spent on each separate group.**

Figures below are based on allocated spend to date.

Activity	Cost	Group
Mental health mentor (Student Adviser P/T Perm)	£41,109.21	Students
Mental health mentor (Student Adviser F/T)	£43,968.08	Students
Referral to appropriate mental health services (Administrator - Student Advice Team)	£29,144.22	Students
Co-ordination of all Activities, Mental Health Strategy and Agreement (Mental Health Co-ordinator/Nurse)	£50,597.87	Students
Staff mental health	£18,523.33	Staff

(Staff Listening Ear Service)		
Administration of Student Peer-to-Peer (Student Association Administration)	£28,907.00	Students
Student Peer to Peer Support, Engagement with Think Positive and NUS (Student President, Wellbeing)	£27,385.04	Students
Togetherall Membership	£15,000.00	Students
Employee Assistance	£8,000.00	Staff
<b>Total</b>	<b>£262,634.75</b>	

**4. Please advise whether the recognised trade unions were consulted before submission of the document or on any subsequent decisions taken?**

There has not yet been any consultation with the recognised trade unions.

If you are unhappy at the way in which the College has considered your request, or the decision we have taken with regarding to releasing information, you may request that we review our decision-making processes by writing to Ann Baxter, Deputy Principal at [ann.baxter@nclan.ac.uk](mailto:ann.baxter@nclan.ac.uk). If you remain dissatisfied following a request for an internal review, you are entitled to appeal our decision to the Scottish Information Commissioner. The Commissioner has launched an online appeals process and the relevant information can be found here: <http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/appeal>.

On receipt of the outcome of any appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner, a further appeal against the decision of the Commissioner may be made (on points of law only) to the Court of Session, under Section 56 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me by emailing [foi@nclan.ac.uk](mailto:foi@nclan.ac.uk).

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Officer

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