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Dear Mr Brunton,

Re: Request for information

Thank you for your request dated 27th March 2017

Your enquiry was as follows:

Please may I be provided with the following information;

1. The number of ill-health pensions granted to individuals working for Derbyshire County Council within the last 3 years at each of the three Tiers (Tier 1, Tier 2, Tier 3)
2. The number of appeals made by employees (or their representatives) against the initial decision made in respect of the award of an ill-health pension during the same period
3. The number of appeals that have been successful during the same period
4. Where an appeal has been successful, details in terms of the movement of Tiers. For example, how many successful appeals against Tier 3 have been awarded Tier 2 or Tier 1 and how many appeals against Tier 2 have been awarded tier 1?

I do not seek any personal information in respect of this request and have been unable to locate this information by any other means.

The request has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The response to your request is as follows:

The answer to question 1 is;

	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3	Totals
2014/15	30	1	2	33
2015/16	27	1	5	33
2016/17	33	1	2	36
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The answer to question 2 - the number of appeals made by employees against the initial decision made in respect of the award of an ill-health pension during the last 3 years - is 18.

The answer to question 3 - the number of appeals that have been successful during the same period - is 6.

The answer to question 4 - 3 cases in total, all relate to Adult Care

2 appeals against non-granting of Ill health Retirement successfully appealed to Tier 1.

1 appeal against non-granting of Ill health Retirement awarded T3 but appealed further and granted Tier 1.

I hope this now satisfies your request.

However, should you wish the outcome to be reviewed, please follow the procedure as set out below:-

Stage 1

If you wish to challenge this decision, please send your comments to:

Access to Information Solicitor
Legal Services
Derbyshire County Council
County Hall
Matlock
DE4 3AG
01629 538390
Email:access2info@derbyshire.gov.uk

Stage 2

After completing the above procedure, if you wish to challenge the decision further, then you have a right to contact the Information Commissioner's Office as follows:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane

Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
Tel: 0303 123 1113/Fax: 01625 524510
www.ico.org.uk/complaints.aspx

Should you have any further questions or queries, please do not hesitate to get in contact.

Yours sincerely



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