



Mr J Cain

By email only to request-647959-2eb89fb0@whatdotheyknow.com

07 December 2020

Dear Mr Cain,

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – 020-127 Internal Review

I write further to your request, received by us on 5th November 2020, that we conduct an internal review regarding your request for information submitted on 29th February 2020 (“**Request for Information**”).

You asked, in your Request for Information, that we provide the following information:

“UCL Department:

“Inquiry into the History of Eugenics at UCL,” informally called the “Eugenics Inquiry” and the “Commission of Inquiry”

The Inquiry is associated with UCL Office of the Provost and President. The Inquiry is being serviced by UCL Library Services via its Director of Operations

Date that Information refers to:

2018 to 2020 inclusive. The first committee meeting was in Autumn 2018.

I believe a “final report” was submitted to the Provost in Feb 2020.

Class of Information in Publication Scheme:

I do not know.

Details of Information required:

Committee records

1. Original terms of reference, and all amendments to those terms 2.

All external communications, such as press releases. URLs will be sufficient for digital-only communications 3. Agendas from all Inquiry meetings, committee meetings and meetings to receive testimony, with any appended papers submitted for the group’s consideration 4.

Minutes from all Inquiry meetings, committee meetings and meetings to receive testimony, with any appended papers submitted as a record of those meetings 5. All testimony submitted to the Inquiry as evidence (I do not request copies of materials submitted that was published

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externally, e.g., no published journal articles or books.) 6. All minutes serving as a formal record for all Town Hall meetings

Records of proposed recommendations

7. Reports submitted to the committee by research fellows not otherwise included above 8. Reports received as accounts by departments or individuals of their teaching and learning related to eugenics, and any syllabi appended in support of those reports 9. Reports submitted to the committee regarding financial instruments associated with donations by Francis Galton. I seek those financial records only up to 1990

Culmination of the committee's work

10. All materials submitted to university executives as being an interim or final product of this committee's work. Please include any minority or dissenting reports formally submitted as a record of disagreement.

month-to-month operations of this committee I request a summary record of spending, clearly showing:

11. overall spending on travel and accommodation 12. overall incidental spending 13. total honoraria provided to members of the committee for their participation 14. overall spending on salaries for research staff associated with the Inquiry's work 15. -catering expenses for committee meetings and events 16. expenses associated with social events for committee members, such as team-building exercises, parties, etc. 17. expenses to accommodate access needs, such as BSL interpreters, audio assistance for the blind, etc 18. expenses on external communications, if specifically contracted or purchased for this committee's work 19. payments to external consultants 20. payments for engagement activities, such as special purpose videos, podcasts, exhibitions, or work-with-the public events branded as part of the Inquiry's work"

Your request for an internal review is based on the fact that you have not yet received a response to your Request for Information.

We apologise for the delay in responding to your Request for Information but the delay has been and continues to result from a combination of the current Covid-19 pandemic and the preparation for and the commencement of the new academic year. We are grateful for your forbearance and hope to be able to provide you with a response to your Request for Information before the end of this calendar year 2020.

We have now reconsidered your Request for Information under our internal review procedure. Should you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you can make a complaint to the Information Commissioner:

Information Commissioner's Office:
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
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Telephone 01625 545700
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Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Fiona Ryland'.

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