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Mr Matthew Wood

Date: 19 September 2018
Our Reference: 3351736

Dear Mr Wood

Information Request - 3351736 - Internal Air Quality Fraud investigation

I am responding to your request for information, which has been considered under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR) and logged as case 3351736.

Your request is as follows:

Please could you send the full details of the steps taken to ascertain who deliberately manipulated air quality data. I assume an internal report has been created with details of the extensive internal investigation that has been undertaken?

Clarification

I'd like the list of specific actions that CEC have taken to find out who committed the air pollution fraud. A report is fine. If it has recommendations then that's fine. The most important thing I'm after is the list of actions that have been taken to date.

I can confirm that Cheshire East Council holds the information you have requested. I have attached the information that is being released to you.

Environmental & Regeneration OSC presentation
Air Quality Action Plan
Audit & Governance Report (see weblink).

<http://moderngov.cheshireeast.gov.uk/ecminutes/documents/s64011/Appendix%20Internal%20Audit%20Annual%20Report%202017-18.pdf>

Please quote the reference number 3351736 in any future communications.

Please note that an anonymised copy of this response may be published in the Council's Disclosure Log, which is available online at the following address:

https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/council_and_democracy/council_information/open-data-and-transparency/freedom_of_information/freedom_of_information.aspx.

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of your request or if you are not happy with the way your request has been handled, you can request an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within 20 working days of our response by emailing xxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxx.xx or in writing to Compliance & Customer Relations Team, Cheshire East Council, 1st Floor, Westfields, c/o Municipal Buildings, Earle Street, Crewe, CW1 2BJ.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you then have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF; Tel: 0303 123 1113; Fax: 01625 524510 or <https://ico.org.uk> The Information Commissioner will not normally investigate your case until the Council's internal review process has been completed.

Yours sincerely

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