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9 March 2018

Mr John Gallacher

Response sent by email to:

Request-463638-6dedd9d6@whatdotheyknow.com

Dear Mr Gallacher

I am writing further to your email of 8 February 2018 and your request for information under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

Q1. Since merger, on a year by year basis, can you please provide the number of Modern Apprentices directly employed by your College?

2013	0
2014	0
2015	0
2016	2*
2017	0

Q2. Since merger, on a year by year basis, can you please provide the hourly rate paid to your apprentices and detail separately any additional annual wage increase they received during that time?

01.04.2016	£8.26 per hour
31.03.2017	£8.32 per hour
01.04.2017	£8.55 per hour

A pay award of £425 was implemented during August 2017 but was effective from 1 April 2017.

Q3. Please advise the F.T.E figure

2013	0
2014	0
2015	0
2016	2 FTE*
2017	0

*Both modern apprentices continue to be employed.

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Q4. If you are not currently paying each apprentice the living wage, can you advise the total cost to the college (including all pension, NI and employer contributions) of paying each apprentice in your employment the current living wage of £8.75 an hour?

We currently pay our apprentices the living wage.

If you are unhappy with our response to your FOI request, the FOI Act gives you the right to complain. If you wish to complain, the issues you raise will initially be considered by staff not involved in the handling of your original request through an internal review. You will receive a substantive response as soon as possible. We aim to complete internal reviews within 20 working days of receipt.

In exceptional circumstances it may take longer than 20 working days to complete an internal review; in such cases, we will notify you in writing. Complaints or requests for internal review should be submitted no more than two months after we sent a substantive reply to your original request.

Requests for internal reviews should be addressed to:

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Kilmarnock Campus
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Email: allyson.sharp@ayrshire.ac.uk

If you are dissatisfied with the College's response to your internal review, you will have a further right of appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner. You can contact the Information Commissioner by writing to:

Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner
Kinburn Castle
Doubledykes Road
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Email: enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info

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www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal

Yours sincerely



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