



**Enquiries to:** Information Team

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Dear Song Li

### **Freedom of Information Request**

Thank you for your recent request received 21 September 2020. Your request was actioned under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Liverpool City Council confirms that it holds some of the information relevant to the terms of your request as detailed below.

#### **You asked:**

Please supply the information on PPE and Nathen Hughes of Fonebox assets Ltd

1/ Nathen Hughes was wired a payment of £257,000 for face masks has Mr. Hughes got any past connections to the LCC?

2/ Who in the LCC made this payment to his company and why?

Not one reporter in the Liverpool Echo or Reach PLC will investigate this person or his fake company in Liverpool, Fonebox assets Ltd.

Cllr Richard Kemp, I was supposed to investigate this and now has backed off and wants nothing to do with this PPE or finding out why £257,000 was paid to Nathen Hughes.

Liverpool Echo reporter 'Liam Thorp' has blanked all phone and e-mails on this and seems to be just blanking the £3.9 million PPE transactions, from the Mayor's office to a number of agents in Liverpool and Manchester.

3/ Please pass over all the payment details from the LCC and who ordered this cash payment to Mr. Nathen Hughes and why?

#### **Our response: -**

1. Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act applies. We cannot release personal data about third parties as this would be a breach of the Data Protection principles of the Freedom of Information Act.

2. The payment was authorised by the Head of Procurement
3. The payment was authorised by the Head of Procurement. The final invoiced (paid) amount was £249,260.00 and this cleared on 03/07/20

This concludes our response.

The City Council will consider appeals, referrals or complaints in respect of your Freedom of Information Act 2000 and you must submit these in writing to [Informationrequests@liverpool.gov.uk](mailto:Informationrequests@liverpool.gov.uk) within 28 days of receiving your response.

The matter will be dealt with by an officer who was not previously involved with the response and we will look to provide a response within 40 days.

If you remain dissatisfied you may also apply to the Information Commissioner for a decision about whether the request for information has been dealt with in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

The Information Commissioner's website is [www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk) and the postal address and telephone numbers are:-

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK95AF. Telephone 0303 123 1113, email [mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk) (they advise that their email is not secure)

I trust this information satisfies your enquiry.

Yours sincerely

**Information Team**

**Liverpool City Council**