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**Our Ref:** FOI/5047  
**Date:** 10 August 2018

Dear Jenna,

Thank you for your request for the following information:

*"From June 2016 to the day this request is processed, I would like to know the number of overseas trips councillors, members of the management team (including the chief executive), and council officers have taken in the course of conducting council business. For each overseas trip, please provide the following information:*

- The date and duration of the overseas trip, as well as the country/city that was visited*
- The full name, title and position of the councillor/member of management team/council officer who went on the overseas trip*
- The reason or reasons why the councillor/member of management team/council officer went on the overseas trip*
- The cost of the overseas trip (please provide a breakdown of travel costs, accommodation costs and expenses etc.)*
- Please state whether the council met the costs of the overseas trip, or whether an individual, group, company, consortium, charity or another organisation met the costs.*
- Please provide the full name of the individual, group, company, charity or organisation that met the costs. If it is a group or consortium, please state who or what composes the group or consortium."*

Your request has been processed under the Freedom of Information 2000. Our response as follows. In all cases, the only available information is cost to the Council (other costs were met by our host)

Date, duration, location: 17 June 2016; 3 nights; Grand Quevilly, France  
Attendee(s): Councillor Richard Allen (Mayor); Councillor Miriam Surtees  
Reason: Bakayades (town twinning meeting and event)  
Cost: Flights: £391.34

Date, duration, location: 6 February 2017; 2 nights; Herford, Germany  
Attendee(s): Councillor Richard Allen (Mayor)  
Reason: 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebration of town hall in our twin town of Herford  
Cost: Flights and airport parking: 165.29

Date, duration, location: 8 September 2017; 3 nights; Grand Quevilly, France  
Attendee(s): Councillor Ozzy O'Shea (Mayor); Mrs Jenny O'Shea (Mayoress); Rebecca Owen (Democratic Services Officer)  
Reason: Bakayades (town twinning meeting and event)  
Cost: Flights: 383.89; Airport Parking: £56.99

Date, duration, location: 8 June 2018; 3 nights; Grand Quevilly, France

Attendee(s): Councillor Jan Kirby (Mayor); Mr Mike Kirby (Mayor's Consort); Rebecca Ball (Children & Young People's Co-ordinator)

Reason: Bakayades (town twinning meeting and event)

Cost: Flights: £771.01

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Should you remain dissatisfied following an appeal, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a further review at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Kind regards



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Information Governance Officer