

Reference: FOI0147

Request:

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.

Response:

Trip 1 to Antwerp(1 day) by 2 x Officers, Purpose unknown as they have now both left NTC, costs met by Council. Flight Costs - £1603.52 Accommodation - £258.08 Expenses - unknown Names of individuals n/a due to data protection

Trip 2 to Slovenia (3 days) - 2 x Councillors, 4 x Officers, 16 Students. To attend 2017 Friendship Games, to compete and take advantage of the sporting and cultural exchange opportunities. Representation from NTC presented to fellow civic heads relaying information and opportunities on offer in North Tyneside as well as promoting tourism. Accommodation - Nil Flights - £7914.61 - unknown if this was fully met by Council due to personal fundraising by students and Sport England Expenses - unknown Full names individuals not applicable due to data protection.

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