

Northamptonshire County Council

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Your ref:

Please ask for:

Date: 11th December 2018

Dear Mr Brawley,

Information Request: FR8763

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received by us on 8th November 2018. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act and is detailed below in italics with our response in bold.

(Please note the extract below has been taken directly from your original information request and is unedited).

For transactions 51100117824, 51100160313, 51100065773, listed as Teachers pensions, compensation payments, please provide the reasoning for these payments and in particular please confirm they were not discretionary but were compulsory entitlements.

For transaction 51100024356, listed as Old 1992 Firefighters Scheme, Pension Fund Codes. again please confirm that this payment to an individual was not discretionary but was a compulsory entitlement.

Clarification requested

All are listed on the published "expenditure exceeding £500" documentation, under transaction number, for reports from 2018.

For clarification (and at slight variance with the above):

For the teachers pensions queries:

51100142341 - teachers pensions September report

51100117824 - teachers pension August report

51100065773 - teachers pension June report

For the fire pension gueries:

51100160313 - fire pension September report

51100067512 - fire pension June report

51100024356 - fire pension May report

51100040030 - fire pension May report

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Our Response

The Freedom of Information Team has been provided with the following information in response to your recent request on behalf of Northamptonshire County Council (NCC).

51100117824 = PO number 31100003404 - July 18 instalment for NCC

51100065773 = PO number 31100002148 - June TP instalment for NCC

51100142341 = PO number 31100004649 - Sept 18 NCC TP prem ret compensation payment

The council agreed to pay the enhancement at the time of premature retirement and the payments are for over 500 former employees and are not a current change of process. The employees were granted premature retirement and the invoices have historically always been paid this way on a monthly basis.

The four Fire pension transactions listed are all for statutory retirement lump sum entitlements and therefore are non-discretionary.

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Mr Simon Deacon Reviewing Officer Northamptonshire County Council One Angel Square Angel Street Northampton NN1 1ED

Email dataprotection@northamptonshire.gcsx.gov.uk

If our internal review does not resolve the issue to your complete satisfaction, you have the right to apply to the information Commissioner for a decision at the following address:

Information Commissioner Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF Or, if you have any complaints in respect of your information request please complete the on-line comments form that can be found at www.northamptonshire.gov.uk, along with a full set of guidance.

Yours sincerely

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