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Our Ref: FOI 278992

Dear Jonathan Rainey,

Re: Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 – Request for Information

Thank you for your email which was received by the University on 16 January 2023 timed 13:34 hours, requesting the following:

How many of your staff members including lecturers & professors voted for the following political parties or independent candidates in previous Scottish local authority (2022) Elections, Scottish Parliamentary Elections (2021), UK General Elections (2019) and last EU Parliamentary Elections (2019):

Conservative Party (including the Scottish Conservative & Unionist Party)
Labour Party (including Scottish Labour Party)
Liberal Democrats (including Scottish Liberal Democrats)
Scottish National Party (SNP)
Alba Party
Green Party (including Scottish Green Party)
UKIP
Brexit Party (then renamed to Reform UK)
Women's Equality Party
Scottish Socialist Party
Freedom Alliance
Scottish Libertarian Party
Sovereignty
Independence For Scotland Party (ISP)
Scottish Family Party
Change UK
The Rubbish Party
Abolish The Scottish Parliament Party
Animal Welfare Party
Communist Party of Great Britain
Christian Party
British National Party

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The University of Glasgow, charity number SC004401

Christian Peoples' Alliance
Liberal Party
National Front
Monster Raving Loony Party
Reclaim UK
Scotia Future
Scottish Unionist Party
Social Democratic Party
Trade Unionist and Socialist Coalition (TUSC)
Volt UK
Worker's Party of Britain
Worker's Revolutionary Party
All For Unity
Independent Candidates or others

University's Response

The University does not hold any information on how staff in the University vote in any elections, either local or national. Therefore, the University of Glasgow does not hold the information that you have requested and is not aware of any other public authority that could respond to your request. Section 17 of FOISA states that where public authorities receive requests for information that they do not hold, they must issue a notice advising that they do not hold the requested information.

The supply of documents under the terms of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 does not give the applicant or whoever receives the information any right to re-use it in such a way that might infringe the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988 (for example, by making multiple copies, publishing or otherwise distributing the information to other individuals and the public). The Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (Consequential Modifications) Order 2004 ensured that Section 50 of the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988 ("CDPA") applies to the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 ("FOISA").

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<http://www.ipo.gov.uk/copy.htm>

Your right to seek a review

Should you be dissatisfied with the way in which the University has dealt with your request, you have the right to require us to review our actions and decisions. If you wish to request a review, please contact the Data Protection and Freedom of Information Office at foi@gla.ac.uk within 40 working days. Your request must be in a recordable format (letter, email, audio tape, etc). As the University of Glasgow is a Scottish Public Authority, your request is subject to the terms

of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 ("FOISA"). You will receive a full response to your request for review within 20 working days of its receipt.

If you are dissatisfied with the way in which we have handled your request for review you may ask the Scottish Information Commissioner to review our decision. You must submit your complaint to the Commissioner within 6 months of receiving the response to review letter. The Commissioner's Office may be contacted as follows:

Online Appeal Service:

Website: www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal

By post:

The Scottish Information Commissioner
Kinburn Castle
Doubledykes Road
St Andrews
Fife
KY16 9DS

Telephone: 01334 464610

Fax: 01334 464611

E-mail: enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info

An appeal, on a point of law, to the Court of Session may be made against a decision by the Commissioner.

For further information on the review procedure please refer to

(<http://www.gla.ac.uk/services/dpfoioffice/policiesandprocedures/foisa-complaintsandreview/>)

All complaints regarding requests for information will be handled in accordance with this procedure.

Yours sincerely,

Data Protection and Freedom of Information Office