



Derry City & Strabane
District Council

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Ref: FOI / 1259

22 June 2017

Mr
Email: @gmail.com

Dear Mr

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request Bloody Sunday Trust,
correspondence/funding applications**

I refer to your FOI request as below and advise that Derry City and Strabane District Council holds information relevant to your request.

“Any correspondence to or from the Bloody Sunday Trust in the last five years, especially those specifically relating to the funding of the new museum - a copy of all versions of any funding applications lodged by the Bloody Sunday Trust for either capital or revenue funding with relation to the new museum

- any correspondence or minutes of meetings with the Bloody Sunday Trust or members of staff at the museum regarding any funding applications, and any record of discussions regarding the content of the exhibitions at the museum**
- a copy of any internal documents or advice relating to the funding, either capital or revenue, of the new Museum of Free Derry**
- a copy of any emails, sent or received, regarding any funding applications made by the Bloody Sunday Trust regarding the new Museum of Free Derry”**

As you are aware, Section 12(1) of the FOIA contains a provision which allows a public authority to refuse to comply with a request for information where the cost of compliance is estimated to exceed a set limit known as the appropriate limit. For local authorities, this limit is set at £450 - The Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulation 2004 SI 2004 No 3244 refers. I can advise this request would require the Council to perform an open-ended search

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of all its email and document archives over a period of five years using multiple keywords and may also require redaction of personal details. This would then need to be manually checked to locate the information requested.

Regulation 4(3) of the Fees Regulations states that a public authority can take into account the costs it reasonably expects to incur in carrying out the following permitted activities in complying with the request:

- (i) determining whether the information is held;
- (ii) locating the information, or a document containing it;
- (iii) retrieving the information, or a document containing it; and
- (iv) extracting the information from a document containing it.

Whilst it is not possible to produce an accurate estimate of the amount of time such an exercise would take, it is likely to incur significant work which would exceed the set limit. This therefore acts as a Refusal Notice for this information.

You may wish to submit a refined request in order that the cost of complying with your request may be facilitated within the 'appropriate limit'. In compliance with Section 16 of the Act, I have considered how your request may be refined to bring it under the appropriate limit, eg

- a copy of all versions of any funding applications lodged by the Bloody Sunday Trust for either capital or revenue funding with relation to the new museum

- a copy of all letters of offer (covering all payments made) for revenue and capital funding to the Bloody Sunday Trust since financial year 2012-2013.

You are of course free to suggest your own refinement for your needs. Submission of a refined request would be treated as a new request, and considered in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, including consideration of relevant Part II exemptions.

If you are dissatisfied with our response you have rights of review and appeal; these rights consist of two review processes. Firstly our internal review procedure is available by contacting:

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Secondly, you can appeal directly by contacting the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner

Wycliffe House

Water Lane

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Tel: 0303 123 1113 (local rate) or email: casework@ico.org.uk

Yours sincerely

Head of Culture



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