



Ref: FOI / 1325

20 July 2017

Mr
The Nolan Show
BBC NI

Email: @bbc.co.uk

Dear Mr

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request Cost of hospitality since 2015

I refer to your FOI request:

Request:

Could you please provide the cost of hospitality (tea, coffee, soft drinks, bottled water, alcohol and food) for council events since the formation of the Super council with a yearly breakdown?

Response:

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.

Where the request is refused, Council have no statutory duty to provide any information, however, under Section 16 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 "Council have a duty to advise and assist". In line with this, I can advise that given the number of events and invoices, it is not possible to provide a detailed breakdown of all invoices and events without significant work which would exceed the permitted costs for FOI requests as above, however before the limit would be exceeded, the below information is available.

Hospitality Spend Derry City and Strabane District Council 2015/2016 & 2017/2018

<u>Details</u>	<u>£</u>
Civic Receptions/Events	47,295.29
Programming Costs	19,593.94
Festivals & Events	8,673.85
Community Planning	14,176.67
Others	52,717.21
Total Costs 2015/2016	142,456.96

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<u>Details</u>	<u>£</u>
Civic Receptions/Events	37,281.03
Programming Costs	28,644.19
Festivals & Events	34,443.35
Community Planning	4,684.10
Others	56,074.41
Total Costs 2016/2017	161,127.08

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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:

John Kelpie
 Chief Executive
 Derry City and Strabane District Council
 98 Strand Road
 Derry BT48 7NN Tel 028 71253253 or email john.kelpie@derrystrabane.com

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

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

Yours sincerely

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