

**Derry City & Strabane** 

**District Council** 

Comhairle **Chathair Dhoire &** Cheantar an tSratha Báin

**Derry Cittie & Stràbane** 

**Destrick Cooncil** 

Ref: FOI / 1038

24 January 2017

Mr

Email: @hotmail.com

Dear Mr

## Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request Expense Claim forms/proof of **Expenses for Elected Member**

I refer to your FOI request as above and respond as follows:

We have paid 3 expense claims to date. Please see attached documentation.

Claim 1	Jan 15	£26.26
Claim 2	Feb 16	£6.00
Claim 3	May 16	£6.00

In respect of the mileage expenses, Council apply the exemption allowed at Section 12(1) of the FOIA which 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. Council estimate the time it would take to extract and inspect mileage data for a specific individual for 2+ years would incur significant work which would exceed the set limit.

-2-24 January 2017 Mr E Doyle

Under Section 16 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000" Council have a duty to advise and assist" as outlined above, and we have therefore provided the total cost of mileage expenses.

Financial Year	Mileage	Payment
2014 – 2015 (Shadow Council)	1905	£1238.25
2015 – 2016 (DCSDC)	7099.11	£4614.42
2016 – Date (DCSDC)	3920	£2548.00

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 Water Lane Wilmslow

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Tel: 0303 123 1113 (local rate) or email: <a href="mailto:casework@ico.org.uk">casework@ico.org.uk</a>

Yours sincerely

## **Lead Assurance Officer**