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**Derry City & Strabane**  
District Council

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Ref: FOI / 623

22 June 2016

Ms

Email: @hotmail.com

Dear Ms

### **Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request Training programmes and cybersecurity policy**

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

Please note that Derry City and Strabane District Council was formed under the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 effective 1 April 2015 and replaces the former councils of Derry City Council and Strabane District Council. Requests made to the legacy councils since 1 April 2015 are being handled by Derry City and Strabane District Council and duplicate requests made to the legacy councils are being treated as one request. The information provided below is for both legacy councils and new organisation.

- What training programmes do you currently provide staff, including specific courses

The quarterly training programme from the Local Government Training Group is circulated to staff informing them of upcoming courses for the quarter ahead and staff make application to line managers for to attend desired relevant courses.

In addition to this relevant staff are provided with compliance training such as First Aid, COSHH, Manual Handling, Health & Safety, Child Protection etc. ICT specific courses for digital services staff are currently being researched.

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- How much do you spend on each training course a year? How much have you spent on these over the previous five years?

Year	Derry City Council	Strabane District Council	Derry City & Strabane District Council
2011/12	£161,558.72	£47,026.61	
2012/13	£235,971.82	£27,998.86	
2013/14	£217,848.01	£53,574.68	
2014/15	£295,870.90	£40,751.86	
2015/16			£220,971.23

- How often do you update your cybersecurity policy?  
3 years

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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98 Strand Road  
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Tel 028 71253253 or email [john.kelpie@derrystrabane.com](mailto: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](mailto:casework@ico.org.uk)

Yours sincerely  
**Lead HR Officer**