

FOI REF:	14103
RESPONSE SENT:	07/05/2024

Request:

For the last 3 tax year's (23/22, 22/21, 21/20) please provide the total cost of:

- Total number of staff hired with responsibility for freedom of information requests, (full time equivalent) .
- Total salary costs for staff with responsibility for freedom of information requests.
- Total for all other costs associated with handling freedom of information requests.
- Total number of freedom of information requests received, and total number responded with the requested information.

Response:

Most service areas have a nominated officer, who responds to requests (as part of their duties). The council has a policy officer who spends approx. 10% of their time monitoring and reporting on FOI requests. Legal support is provided by the data protection officer/ public law manager who also deals with most of the reviews and contact with the ICO. The time spent on this varies depending on the number and complexity of requests.

