

FOI REF:	14765
RESPONSE SENT:	2/10/2024

Request:

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding overseas travel undertaken by councillors or council officials.

Please provide the following information for each of the financial years 2022-23 and 2023-24:

Total Annual Spend:

The total annual expenditure by the council on overseas travel.

Breakdown of Overseas Travel Expenditure:

For each trip, please include the following details:

- Destination: The country and city of the trip.
- Length of Trip: Duration in days.
- Number of Officials Involved: The number of councillors or officials on each trip.
- Hotel Details: The name and address of the hotel(s) booked.
- Flights Booked: Details of the flights, including which class was booked.
- Purpose of Trip: A brief description of the purpose of the trip.
- Expenses for Food and Drink: Details of expenses related to food and drink.
 Where possible, please provide receipts.

Funding Details:

Please specify whether each trip was fully funded by the council, partially funded, or fully funded by an external body. If funded by an external body, provide the name of the body and the amount contributed.

Note: "Overseas travel" refers to all travel to a foreign country and does not include Northern Ireland.

If providing the requested information would exceed the cost limits specified in Section 12 of the Act, please provide advice and assistance under Section 16 on how I might refine my request to remain within the cost limits.

Should any part of this request be unclear, please do not hesitate to contact me via email or phone, and I will be happy to clarify further.

I would prefer to receive the response via email. If this is not possible, please send your response to the address provided below.

Response

For each of the financial years 2022-23 and 2023-24, the total annual expenditure by the council on overseas travel undertaken by councillors or council officials was £0 (zero).

