

Date: 14/02/2022

Our Reference: FOIA-2022-015

RE: Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write in response to your Freedom of Information request, dated 20/01/2022, which you requested:

“This is an information request relating to losses and special payments

Please include the information for each of the following periods; 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21:

- *The total number of cases of losses in each year.*
- *The total cost of losses in each year.*
- *An itemisation of each loss including what it was for and how much it cost.*
- *The total number of special payments in each year.*
- *The total value of special payments in each year.*
- *An itemisation of each special payment including what it was for and how much it cost.”*

Decision

When a request for information is made under FoIA 2000, a public authority has a general duty under section 1(1) of the Act to inform an applicant whether the requested information is held. There is then a general obligation to communicate that information to the applicant.

In line with section 1(1) of the FoIA, I can confirm the College does hold the information you require.

Please see the below table and subsequent explanatory detail:

Financial Year	Number of Loss Cases	Cost of Loss Cases	Number of Special Payments	Cost of Special Payments
2020-21	1	367,500	0	0
2019-20	0	0	3	16648
2018-19	0	0	1	3500

- The College recognised the cost of paying an exemplary fine of £367,500 after securing retrospective approval from the Chief Secretary of the Treasury in relation to breaching the control process in negotiating the remuneration package of the Deputy Chief Executive Officer in financial year 2018/19
- During the financial year to 31 March 2020, the College made 3 special payments totalling £16,648 in respect of settlement of a personal injury claim. The individual sums were £3,500, £4000, and £9148 and covered compensation and the claimant's fees.
- One payment in respect of settlement of a personal injury claim

Yours sincerely,

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Appendix A

Your right of review

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 you have a right to request an internal review if you are dissatisfied with our handling of your request. Review requests should be made in writing (by email or post) within 40 working days from the date of our original response. We will aim to respond to your review request within 20 working days.

The Information Commissioner's Office (ICO)

If, after lodging a review request you are still dissatisfied, you may raise the matter with the ICO. For further information you can visit their website at <https://ico.org.uk/for-the-public/official-information/>. Alternatively, you can contact them by phone or write to them at the following address:

Information Commissioner's Office

Wycliffe House

Water Lane

Wilmslow

Cheshire

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