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Please address all correspondence to the Town Clerk.

FOI/HSB/foi030

07 June 2022

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Dear xxxx

Thank you for your request received on 20th May 2022

Your request – FOI030

Information Requested:

"Following the recent disclosure of payments made to Board Members for their "costs", I would like to see a breakdown of what cost types were being submitted, for example, travel expenses and confirmation of how these claims are validated for authenticity given these are public monies being claimed."

Response to your request

"Following the recent disclosure of payments made to Board Members for their "costs", I would like to see a breakdown of what cost types were being submitted, for example, travel expenses and confirmation of how these claims are validated for authenticity given these are public monies being claimed. Last 3 years please."

Travelling Allowance

No payments have been made under the Local Authority Members (Travelling Allowances) Order



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Other Expenses

Mr J McGuinness was reimbursed £27 in May 2022 in respect of printing for which a receipt was provided.

Attendance Allowance

Local Authority Members are entitled to an allowance for attendance at meetings or approved duties the rate for which is defined by the Local Government (Members' Attendance Allowances) Order 2013.

Paragraph 6 of Schedule 2 to the Local Government Act 1985 requires each local authority to publish a report in respect of each financial year, which shall state:

(a) the number of meetings of the authority;

(b) the number of meetings of each committee or sub-committee of the authority;(c) the number of attendances of each member of the authority at meetings of the authority and each committee and sub-committee of the authority; and(d) the total sums paid to each member under this Schedule during the financial year in question.

Ramsey Town Commissioners have already published this information on our website for the period of time you have requested. This can be found at <u>https://www.ramsey.gov.im/your-commissioners/annual-attendances/</u>.

Election Fees

Mr A Cowie received a payment of £194.46 in October 2021 and Mr A Oldham received a payment of £254.48 in November 2021 in accordance with the Local Election (Fees) Order 2020 in respect of duties they undertook at an election and bye-election respectively.

Your right to request a review

If you are unhappy with this response to your Freedom of Information request, you may ask us to carry out an internal review of the response, by completing a complaint form and submitting it electronically or by delivery/post to the sender of this letter at the address / email address shown.

An electronic version of the relevant complaint form can be found by going to our website – <u>http://ramsey.gov.im/default.aspx/categories/162/Freedom-of-Information/</u>

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If you would like a paper version of the complaint form to be sent to you by post, please contact us and we will be happy to arrange for this. Your review request should explain why you are dissatisfied with this response and should be made as soon as practicable. We will respond as soon as the review has been concluded.

If you are not satisfied with the result of the review, you then have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner for a decision on;

- 1. Whether we have responded to your request for information in accordance with Part 2 of the Freedom of Information Act; or
- 2. Whether we are justified in refusing to give you the information requested.

In response to an application for review, the Information Commissioner may, at any time, attempt to resolve a matter by negotiation, conciliation, mediation or another form of alternative dispute resolution and will have regard to any outcome of this in making any subsequent decision.

More detailed information on your rights to review is on the Information Commissioner's website at: <u>https://www.inforights.im/</u>.

If anything is unclear, or if you have any queries concerning this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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Email: xxx