

FOI Reference Number: FOI/079/1920

Date: 11 June 2019

Request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act I would like Council to provide full details of the following, over the past 2 years - April 2017 to March 2019:

Please provide full details of all Procurement activity (procurement spend, contracts arranged) arranged or conducted by the Head of Service (HoS) that has not been conducted or managed by the Procurement Team below the HoS.

If there was no Procurement Activity conducted/arranged outside of the Procurement Team below the HoS then answer "All Procurement contract/spend activity arranged/conducted via the Procurement Team below the HoS within Mid & East Antrim Council".

If there was procurement activity conducted/arranged outside of the Procurement Team below the HoS then, please provide the following:

Name of the Procurement activity (Procurement spend or name of contract)

Details what the Procurement Activity was for

The indicative budget for the procurement / amount being spent (not the contract value)

Date(s) the procurement was for, from & to

The name(s) of the contractor the contract(s) was awarded to

Details of how the procurement(s) were agreed. For example Date of Senior Management Team meeting or Date of Council Committee meeting

Details why the procurement(s) were not managed by the Procurement Team

Position name that arranged / conducted the Procurement activity, e.g. Head of ICT and Procurement.

Response:

Thank you for your information request which Mid and East Antrim Borough Council received on 05 June 2019.

Please find below Mid and East Antrim Borough Council's response to the information you requested in relation to procurement.

Mid and East Antrim Borough Council believe that this request, in the context of all previous requests, is exempt as per section 14(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and Mid and East Antrim Borough Council will not process your request on this occasion.

There a number of considerations under Freedom of Inforamtion legislation in relation to vexatious requests and Mid and East Antrim would highlight the below:

- ***Frequent or overlapping requests The requester submits frequent correspondence about the same issue or sends in new requests before the public authority has had an opportunity to address their earlier enquiries.***

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of part of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to the Chief Executive at the Braid Ballymena Town Hall, 1-29 Bridge Street, Ballymena, BT43 5EJ.

Please remember to quote the reference number FOI/079/1920 in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of an internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Please be advised that Mid and East Antrim Borough Council may release the response to this information request into the public domain via our website at <https://www.midandeastantrim.gov.uk/>.

If we publish our response to your request, your personal data will be removed to protect your privacy.