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Subject: EIR-17-1077 - AWPR
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Attachments: [Further Information - Right to Review & Appeal.pdf](#)

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your information request of 27 July 2017. Aberdeen City Council (ACC) has completed the necessary search for the information requested.

In December 2014, the Scottish government confirmed that the Aberdeen Western Peripheral Route (AWPR) was going ahead at an overall cost of £745m (see attached press notice).

In that announcement, the Scottish government said that that sum included "public sector costs such as preparation costs, surveys, land and advance works."

I would be grateful for the following:

a) all spending by Aberdeen city council in connection with the acquisition of land, site preparation works, legal work and all other preparatory or related activities linked to the AWPR project.

The following expenditure has been incurred for the AWPR since 1 January 2013. This date accords with the current funding agreement by the AWPR funding partners which caps the Aberdeen City Council and Aberdeenshire Council contributions to £75m each.

AWPR Expenditure since 1 January 2013 is circa £90m;

The circa £90m figure is split equally between both Councils, which is the Aberdeen City Council has spent circa £45m since 1 January 2013.

b) please identify the dates of that spending by reference to each type of activity or purpose in that spending, ideally by reference to the date of the decision to do so.

The expenditure incurred since 1 January 2013 has been incurred on the project's delivery under headings such as Professional Services, Surveys, Land & Compensation, Advance Works and Utilities. For the approval to allow the Council to spend their funding contribution up to a cap of £75m, please refer to Aberdeen City Council report dated 21 August 2013.

<https://committees.aberdeencity.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=122&MId=2863&Ver=4>

c) please specify whether Aberdeen council anticipates any further future expenditure from its funds on the AWPR project not included in the answers to a) and b), and set out what the sums involved are and the purpose of that additional spending.

Please refer to the Councils approved budget paper of 22 February 2017, Appendix 1 Non Housing Capital Programme (<https://committees.aberdeencity.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=122&MId=5544&Ver=4>).

17/18	£12.560m
18/19	£ 8.315m

19/20	£ 2.405m
20/21	£ 0.825m
21/22	£ 2.605m

Please note there will be an element of duplication between the expenditure to date for the current year and the approved budget for 17/18.

The outstanding expenditure will be spent across the same headings as outlined in answer (b) above.

We hope this helps with your request.

Yours sincerely,

Information Compliance Team

INFORMATION ABOUT THE HANDLING OF YOUR REQUEST

As the information which you requested is environmental information, as defined under Regulation 2(1) of the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (the EIRs), ACC considered that it was exempt from release through FOISA, and must therefore give you notice that we are refusing your request under Section 39(2) of FOISA (Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002). However, you have a separate right to access the information which you have requested under Regulation 5 of the EIRs, under which ACC has handled your request. Please refer to the attached PDF for more information about your rights under the EIRs.

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