From: Foi Enquiries
To: [redacted]
Subject: FOI-18-0554 - Celebrity Appearance
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Attachments: Further Information - Right to Review & Appeal.pdf

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Dear [redacted]

Thank you for your information request of 30 March 2018. Aberdeen City Council (ACC) has completed the necessary search for the information requested.

1) In the last three available years for which you have data, broken down year by year, could you please provide the total amount spent on celebrity appearances by the council?
2) In each case could you provide the person who appeared, along with the event, and how much was paid to that person?

Health and Social Care Partnership

Financial Year	Person	Event	Cost
2015-2016	No celebrities were hired during this financial year		
2016-2017	Frank McAulay (Comedian)	Practice Improvement Event	Approx. £40 (price of train tickets)
2017-2018	No celebrities were hired during this financial year		

Education and Children's Services

Please refer to response FOI-18-0154 – Celebrities which is available on ACC's online Disclosure Log at: https://aberdeen-cms.cms-direct.firmstep.com/sites/aberdeen-cms/files/2018-03/FOI_18_0154_Celebrities_Redacted.pdf

As **the total spend, person who appeared, the event and how much was paid to that person, held by Education and Children's Services,** is otherwise accessible on ACC's online Disclosure Log at the above address, it is exempt from disclosure. In order to comply with its obligations under the terms of Section 16 of the FOISA, ACC hereby gives notice that we are refusing your request under the terms of Section 25(1) - Information Otherwise Accessible - of the FOISA.

Communities, Housing and Infrastructure

Gavin Oattes was hired in January 2016 and is the Managing Director and Keynote Speaker for Tree of Knowledge. The purpose was for a staff engagement and training event over three days (25-27 January 2016). Six 45 minute motivational staff engagement speeches were delivered.

Alice Thomson was hired in June 2017 and is the Co-Founder of Social Bite. Her session was a motivational presentation followed by a Q&A rather than a speech. The purpose was for a staff training and development event over two and a half days (28-30 June 2017). Five 45 minute inspirational staff engagement speeches were delivered.

ACC is unable to provide you with information on **how much was paid to Gavin Oattes and Alice Thomson** as it is exempt from disclosure. In order to comply with its obligations under the terms of Section 16 of the FOISA, ACC hereby gives notice that we are refusing your request

under the terms of Section 38(1)(b) in conjunction with Section 38(2)(a)(i) – Personal Information - of the FOISA.

In making this decision ACC considered the following points:

ACC is of the opinion that Section 38(1)(b) applies to the information specified above as the information in question is personal information relating to living individuals, of which the applicant is not the data subject.

ACC is of the opinion that Section 38(2)(a)(i) applies, as we consider that disclosure of this information would be a breach of the first Data Protection Principle (that personal information must be processed fairly and lawfully). Part of the contracts was that ACC does not disclose terms of individual contract of business with any other party. These individuals have not consented to the disclosure of their information, and ACC does not consider that they would expect ACC to release this information about them into the public domain under the FOISA.

We hope this helps with your request.

Yours sincerely,

Anna Buchan
Information Compliance Officer

INFORMATION ABOUT THE HANDLING OF YOUR REQUEST

ACC handled your request for information in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. Please refer to the attached PDF for more information about your rights under FOISA.

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