

26 October 2023

**IC-264576-P1V3**

**Request**

We received your request on 17 October 2023. You asked for the following information, about a prosecution that the ICO sought against Jack Beecham under s.170 DPA:

*This new FOI request is;*

- *What were the ICO's total costs to bring this action to a trial ?*
- *What were the ICO's internal staff costs to bring this action to trial ?*
- *What were the ICO's full investigation costs that were used to bring this to trial ?*
- *What were the barrister costs to the ICO to bring this action to court ?*
- *What were all the court costs the ICO had to pay to bring this action to court ?*

Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the FOIA). As you are probably aware, this legislation provides public access to recorded information held by a public authority unless an appropriate exemption applies.

**Our response**

We do hold information within the scope of your request.

We are unable to provide a figure for internal staff costs, this is because staff work on a number of matters at any time and their time is not logged according to which matter they are working on.

The only costs incurred in bringing this matter to trial aside from internal staff costs are barrister's fees amounting to a total of £15,374.94, inclusive of VAT. This figure includes travel expenses.

This concludes our response.

### **FOI review procedure**

If you are dissatisfied and wish to request a review of our decision or make a complaint about how your request has been handled you should write to the Information Access Team at the address below or e-mail [icoaccessinformation@ico.org.uk](mailto:icoaccessinformation@ico.org.uk).

Your request for internal review should be submitted to us within 40 working days of receipt by you of this response. Any such request received after this time will only be considered at the discretion of the Commissioner.

If having exhausted the review process you are not content that your request or review has been dealt with correctly, you have a further right of appeal to this office in our capacity as the statutory complaint handler under the legislation.

To make such an application, please write to our Customer Contact Team at the address given or visit our website if you wish to make a complaint under the FOIA.

### **Your information**

Please note that our [Privacy notice](#) explains what we do with the personal data you provide to us and what your rights are.

This includes entries regarding the specific purpose and legal basis for the ICO processing information that people that have provided us with, such as an [information requester](#).

The length of time we keep information is laid out in our retention schedule, which can be found [here](#).

Yours sincerely



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