

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Decision notice

Date: 25 October 2024

Public Authority: Council of Goldsmiths, University of London

Address: New Cross
London
SE14 6NW

Request:

The complainant requested the following information from Goldsmiths, University of London (the university) on 8 June 2024:

"I am writing under the Freedom of Information Act to request the University's cash balance figure as of 30th April 2024, and the figure as of 31st May 2024."

The complainant also requested the following information from the university on 20 June 2024:

"I am emailing as a student of Goldsmiths to request further information regarding communication we have received pertaining to the Transformation Programme.

On the Transformation Programme information webpage there is a statement asserting that "£10.1 million in savings" was secured through "a range of measures". Under the Freedom of Information Act, I am requesting that the calculations for how this figure in savings was arrived at, broken down by savings secured by each action taken. I am also requesting that dates be provided for each action referenced."

Commissioner's Decision:

A public authority will breach section 10 of FOIA if it fails to respond to a request within 20 working days. Based on evidence available to the Commissioner, by the date of this notice the university has not issued a substantive response to these requests. Therefore the Commissioner finds a breach of section 10.

Steps:

The university must provide a substantive response to the requests in accordance with its obligations under FOIA.

The university must take this step within 30 calendar days of the date of this decision notice. Failure to comply may result in the Commissioner making written certification of this fact to the High Court pursuant to section 54 of FOIA and may be dealt with as a contempt of court.

Right of Appeal:

Either party has the right to appeal against this decision notice to the First-tier Tribunal (Information Rights). Information about the appeals process may be obtained from:

First-tier Tribunal (Information Rights)
GRC & GRP Tribunals,
PO Box 9300,
LEICESTER,
LE1 8DJ

Tel: 0203 936 8963

Fax: 0870 739 5836

Email: grc@justice.gov.uk

Website: www.justice.gov.uk/tribunals/general-regulatory-chamber

Any Notice of Appeal should be served on the Tribunal within 28 (calendar) days of the date on which this decision notice is sent.

**Information Commissioner
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