

From: Edinburgh College Freedom of Information

Sent: 24 October 2019 16:06

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: RE: Freedom of information request: The number of sanitary products issued to students in 2018/2019

Dear [REDACTED]

Our Ref: 034/19

As of 1 October 2012, Edinburgh's Telford College, Jewel & Esk College and Stevenson College merged to create a single college called Edinburgh College.

We refer to your request for information dated 26 September 2019. The College has considered your request as a request for information under section 1 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 ("FOISA").

034/19 (1): the number of sanitary products that have been issued to students in 2018/19?

The College provides free sanitary products to students on all four campuses. The sanitary products are provided in display stands beside reception, in the Edinburgh College Students' Association (ECSA) offices and in free vending machines in the toilets.

Students can help themselves to the products from the display stands and the vending machines.

In 2018/19 the college purchased the following sanitary products:

Towels – 64,700
Tampons – 52,080
Menstrual Cup – 123

There are approximately 9,817 sanitary product items remaining in stock and on display.

034/19 (2): I would also like to know how much this would cost the university [college]?

Total cost (including sanitary products, display stands, staffing costs and rental of vending machines) = £114,718.72 (Ex Vat)

Edinburgh College is subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act (FOISA) 2002. If you are dissatisfied with this response, you may ask the college to review this decision. To do this, please contact the Head of Communications, Policy and Research at the postal address below or e-mail the Head of Communications, Policy and Research at governance@edinburghcollege.ac.uk describing your original request and explaining your grounds for dissatisfaction. (Please include in your review request, your name and home address for correspondence).

You have 40 working days from receipt of this letter to submit a review request to:

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When the review process has been completed and if you are still dissatisfied, you may ask the Scottish Information Commissioner to intervene.

The Commissioner's online appeal service is available from their website:

www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal

The online appeal service is available 24/7 and offers you real time help and advice about your appeal.

You must appeal to the Commissioner within six months of receiving the review decision.

You also have the right to appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law following a decision of the Commissioner.

Regards

FOI Team