

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 16 October 2017 00:03
To: Edinburgh College Freedom of Information <FOI@edinburghcollege.ac.uk>
Subject: Internal review of Freedom of Information request - Interim Principal

Dear Edinburgh College,

Please pass this on to the person who conducts Freedom of Information reviews.

I am writing to request an internal review of Edinburgh College's handling of my FOI request 'Interim Principal'.

You asked to whether I was happy with the response (to which I responded that I would like to take this opportunity to clarify), you have responded with a (final) response which goes to similar lengths as your initial response: you are keeping your focus on BTP and not on the interim principal's recovery plan. These are two separate strategic plans. The Interim Principal had a 'Recovery Plan' not a BTP,

I simply want to know what work the Interim Principal undertook in relation to what the SFC told her to change in Edinburgh College curriculum/finance wise under the Recovery Plan.

Therefore I please supply evidence in relation to the FULL initial work/remit of the Interim Principal with the SFC .

In your last response you say that the Interim Principal put 'initial' work in place, which is vague therefore please clarify 'initial' work and provide recorded information to evidence this. By referring to previous FOI responses you are over complicating, the matter at hand and this I believe is not helpful to assisting the requester.

A full history of my FOI request and all correspondence is available on the Internet at this address:
https://www.whatdotheyknow.com/request/interim_principal

Yours faithfully,

[REDACTED]

From: Edinburgh College Freedom of Information
Sent: 13 November 2017 17:24
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Internal review of Freedom of Information request - Interim Principal

Dear [REDACTED]

Our Ref: 059/16/17

An internal review has been undertaken on the response provided to your FOI request.

The review has found that the response provided on 06 October 2017 fully answered all of the four questions you submitted on 10 September 2017.

In addition, the review was asked to consider our response to your request submitted on 25 July (**Our Ref: 053/16/17**). The review found that the response provided on 22 August 2017 fully answered your request for information.

Your request for review (submitted 16 October 2017) specifically asks us to review the following: **'In your last response you say that the Interim Principal put 'initial' work in place, which is vague therefore please clarify 'initial' work and provide recorded information to evidence this.'** We have read this request as a specific review of the information provided on 6 October in relation to 'initial work' put in place.

The review has found that our response on 06 October 2017 stated: **'As advised in our previous response on 4 September 2017, the 2015/16 Section 22 Report of Edinburgh College confirms that between November 2014 - April 2015 "Interim Principal in post - puts initial development plan in place.'**

The review confirmed that 'initial work' refers to the Development Plan and the college evidenced this by providing the link to Audit Scotland's 2015/16 Section 22 Report of Edinburgh College. We have included details of the 'initial work' of the Development Plan in our separate response to your new FOI requests (**Our Ref: 063/16/17**).

As confirmed in our email to you on 20 October 2017, we will respond to your two further requests for information in a separate email (**Our Ref 063/16/17**) by 13 November 2017.

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

Kind regards

FOI Team