

From: Edinburgh College Freedom of Information
Sent: 22 August 2017 15:59
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Freedom of Information request - Interim Principal

Dear [REDACTED]

Our Ref: 053/16/17

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 25 July 2017. The College has considered your request as a request for information under section 1 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 ("FOISA"):

053/16/17 (1) In 2014 whilst the interim Principal was in role at Edinburgh College, can you confirm that she undertook a recovery plan with the SFC in-relation to the key areas of curriculum, finance and leadership?

Please refer to Audit Scotland's 2015/16 Section 22 Report of Edinburgh College, in which they confirm: "In December 2015, the college Board of Management approved a 16-point action plan to form the basis of a new transformation plan (referred to in my 2016 report as a "recovery plan"). The final version of the transformation plan was agreed by the SFC in March 2016, and it was published in April 2016."

The report also confirms: "The transformation plan is formed of four overarching programmes of work:

- Financial sustainability: priority based budgeting, resource management and estates strategy
- Curriculum relevance, regional and coherence with community planning partnerships
- Workforce development and structure
- Recruitment, retention and productivity"

A full timeline of the transformation plan is also provided in this report, in which it confirms that the initial development plan was put in place between November 2014-April 2015.

Audit Scotland's 2015/16 Section 22 Report of Edinburgh College is publically available: http://audit-scotland.gov.uk/uploads/docs/report/2017/s22_1704_edinburgh_college.pdf

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 Corporate Development at the postal address below or e-mail the Head of Corporate Development 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