

From: Edinburgh College Freedom of Information

Sent: 06 October 2017 16:12

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: RE: Internal review of Freedom of Information request - Interim Principal

Dear [REDACTED]

Our Ref: 059/16/17

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

059/16/17 (1) Are you confirming that the recovery/development/Transformation plan is just one particular exercise? It was my understanding that there were different/separate reviews, which is what I am trying to differentiate between.

At the P&R Committee on 26 November 2015 it was agreed that the Development Plan would be integrated into, and progressed through, a new plan for the College: the Transformation Plan was then agreed at the Board Meeting on 08 December 2015.

As advised in our two previous responses on 22 August 2017 and 4 September 2017 (attached), Audit Scotland confirmed in their 2015/16 Section 22 Report of Edinburgh College, the phrase "recovery plan" refers to the college's Transformation Plan.

059/16/17 (2) Therefore when the interim principal took up post, was it at this point that 'a' plan was put in place with SFC that covered curriculum, finance and leadership?

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 key elements of the Development Plan included: reconfiguring the College's leadership; strategically repositioning the college for growth; improving quality and curriculum; reshaping and financially rebasing the College to improve efficiency and effectiveness; and culture change development.

059/16/17 (3) To summarise, from the outset in November 2014 any all development programmes/reviews/plans have all included more than one strand which includes in the least Finance and curriculum?

Please refer to our two previous responses on 22 August 2017 and 4 September. Please also see response to **059/16/17 (1)** and **059/16/17 (2)**

059/16/17 (4) Additionally, confirmation that each review whether with or without SFC involvement this was one single exercise?

Please see response to **059/16/17 (1)** and **059/16/17 (2)**.

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.

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Regards
FOI Team