



COLNEY HEATH PARISH COUNCIL

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9th March 2020

RE: Freedom of Information Act 2000
Colney Heath Parish Council – Legal costs and associated information

I write with regard to your confirmation email narrowing your request for information to Colney Heath Parish Council. Your email was received by the Council on 25th February 2020.

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we are required to confirm what information we hold, and if we do hold the information, disclose the information, subject to exemptions or other provisions applying.

You requested:

Parish Council's expenditure of legal fees for each of the years 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 with the amount of expenditure for each individual subject matter together with the second party involved.

Our response:

The attached appendix includes all the information requested, I have also included any cases opened in 2019 and therefore all costs up to and including invoices received 27th February 2020.

I hope that the response is useful, however if you are dissatisfied with this response you have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office at the following address:

Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF

You must do this no later than two months after the Parish Council's last response to you.



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Appendix 1

LEGAL COST BREAKDOWN MARCH 2020

Expenditure quoted is inclusive of fees and disbursements and less VAT. All costs quoted are inclusive from April 2016 unless otherwise stated. Figures are correct and are inclusive of all invoices received up to 27th February 2020.

Opening Date	Case	Other Party	Status	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Total Exp
Approx. 2013/2014	Tyttenhanger Green Access	Residents 19-21 & 25 Tyttenhanger Green	CLOSED JAN 2020 (agreed Oct 2018)	£12,706.00	£17,426.20	£14,052.90	£6,106.50	£50,140.10
17/05/17	Fredericks Wood Access	Landowner of Fredericks Wood and Osier beds	CLOSED DEC 2019	£0.00	£2,327.00	£3,508.50	£163.00	£5,998.50
21/12/17	CHPC Office 83 High St	Village Hall Council	On hold	£0.00	£1,666.00	£446.00	£0.00	£2,112.00
22/02/18	Roestock Park & Hut	The Scout Association	Active	£0.00	£0.00	£7,070.00	£2,372.00	£9,442.00
13/08/18	Highfield Park Office Lease	Highfield Park Trust	CLOSED MAY 2019	£0.00	£0.00	£1,209.00	£0.00	£1,209.00
30/01/19	Adverse Possession of the Old Air Raid Shelter	Colney Heath Football Club	Active	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£8,774.50	£8,774.50
				£12,706.00	£21,419.20	£26,286.40	£17,419.00	£77,676.10