

By e-mail:

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Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 2000 – 2018/267

Your request was received on 2 October 2018, and is copied below for your reference, with our numbering added:

"In the Universities FoI response 2018/248 it mentions "Visit by Mayor of Bath and North-East Somerset to School of Management, 5th September 2018"

- 1. Is the visit by the City's Mayor an annual event?
- 2. If it is annual, which year did it begin?
- 3. Who originated the idea of a formal visit to the University, the University or the Mayor/City?
- 4. Is it planned that the event will continue in other years?
- 5. During the 2018 event what hospitality was offered? was it finger buffet? or sit down?
- 6. What was the food and beverage menus?"

Section 1(1) usually entitles you to be told whether the requested information is held and have that provided to you unless it is judged to be exempt from disclosure. We are able to provide the following responses:

- This was a one-off visit by the Mayor, Cllr Patrick Anketell-Jones, to learn more about the School of Management, and, as his theme for his year in office is the environment, hear about the University's research. More details are available on our website at https://www.bath.ac.uk/announcements/mayor-visits-school-of-management/
- N/A.
- 3. The Mayor was invited to visit by Professor Veronica Hope Hailey, Dean of the School of Management.
- 4. This was a one-off visit. As you are aware from our previous response, 2018/248, Cllr lan Gilchrist (Mayor in 2017/18) attended the Commonwealth Big Lunch in March 2018, and he also visited the University on at least three other occasions during his year in office. Mayoral visits to our campus and/or participation in University events such as graduation ceremonies occur each year, and we anticipate this will continue to be the case.
- 5. A finger buffet was served to the Mayor and those who had participated in the visit, comprising management students, staff and representatives of the Students' Union.