

To: Head of Democratic and Partnership Services

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Dear Ian Hughes,

The Information Governance Team has refused my FOI request 11817, on grounds which seem to me to be either illogical or the result of misunderstanding about what I was asking for.

Their response included the information to contact you if I were unsatisfied with the reply.

I am therefore clarifying that I am asking you to provide the information I requested in FOI 11817 (as well as two additional pieces of information which are identified below), and that I understand that:

- Defra's withdrawal of support for the Bradford/Calderdale PFI waste incinerator means this information no longer provides the basis for the Council's decisions about its possible investment in the PFI waste incinerator.
- Calderdale Council's proposed capital contribution to the project is now under review.

I can't see that this changed situation is any reason to refuse to provide the information I requested in my FOI request. This did not ask for information about what Calderdale Council's capital contribution might be, given the new circumstances. I asked for historic information, about the facts and figures that formed the basis for the Report that the Finance Officer presented to Cabinet, regarding Calderdale Council's proposed capital contribution, before Defra withdrew its support for the project (and other PFI waste incinerators).

I understand that the Finance Officer's advice to Cabinet is no longer current, but I would still like to know the facts about it that I asked for in my FOI request.

I am therefore resubmitting my FOI request, on the understanding that the facts and figures it asks for are no longer current and do not provide the basis for decisions about Calderdale Council's potential investment in the PFI waste incinerator, (should the Council decide to go ahead with investing in it).

In addition, I would also like to know:

- a) how much Calderdale Council has spent to date on the Bradford/Calderdale PFI waste incinerator (I understand that this is in the region of over £600,000)
- b) whether Calderdale Council will incur further losses if it has to pull out of the project

Kind regards,

Jenny Shepherd