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Subject: Freedom of Information Request F6665

Dear Ms Breakall.

Freedom of Information Act 2000 / Environmental Information Regulations 2004 Information request

We have now considered your information request as set out below. You asked:

1. What was the hourly charge made by SLLP for legal services provided to Merton Council for the financial year 2014-15 and for 2015-16?

The hourly charge for both years was £55.

2. How many hours were billed by SLLP to Merton Council for legal services provided for Case CO/580/2015 Breakell v LB Merton (SLLP reference CS LEG GRC 511/470) relating to judicial review of environmental planning decisions made by Merton Council?

62.40 hours were billed to Merton Council.

3. What was the total charge made by SLLP for legal services provided for Case CO/580/2015 Breakell v LB Merton?

The total charge was £3,432 for SLLP services plus Counsel's fees of £2,200, the total being £5,632.

If you have any queries or concerns about this please contact me.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request please contact Graham Owen, the Head of Information Governance at Merton Council, Civic Centre, Morden, SM4 5DX or e-mail foi@merton.gov.uk

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The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Telephone:0303 123 1113 Website: <u>www.ico.org.uk</u>

There is no charge for making an appeal.

Yours sincerely
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