

From: Freedom of Information Requests

Sent: 09 May 2025 09:43

To:

Subject: FOI Response -

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request dated 27 March 2025 for information about late payments to suppliers. Please find below City of Doncaster Council's responses to the questions you have raised.

1. A complete list of all suppliers, contractors, and sub-contractors who have received late payments beyond agreed terms.

Response: Please see attached, no statutory late payment interest or fixed compensation was applied.

2. The total amount of late payment interest and/or compensation paid under the Late Payment of Commercial Debts (Interest) Act 1998 for each year within this 6-year period.

Response: £0

3. Copies of any current council policies or internal procedures regarding payment terms and practices related to suppliers, contractors, and sub-contractors.

Response: Please see quote from our internal Finance Manual relating to payment terms, "Standard procedure is for goods, works and services to be paid on account with 30 day payment terms, i.e. the Council has 30 days to pay from the date the invoice is received by the Council. Exceptions exist for example fair payment terms for Construction Industry Contractors stipulate they be paid within 7 days of certificates being issued. Currently, due to the economic climate, standard procedure has been suspended since March 2020 and payments are made as soon as invoices have been processed and are ready to be released, i.e. orders have been receipted. This procedure will continue until further notice."

I hope that this information is useful to you.

The City of Doncaster Council estimates that it has cost £250 to respond to this request for information.

Reviewing any decisions made:

If you are not happy with this reply you can ask us to review our response. To do this write to us within 40 working days of receiving your response at the address below or email FOIAppeals@doncaster.gov.uk

If you do not agree with the review decision you can apply to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision about our compliance or otherwise with the Freedom of Information legislation. Contact details for the ICO are: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. www.ico.org.uk Telephone 0303 123 1113.

Yours faithfully,

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