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Dear Mr. Smith,

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

Your request for information has now been considered and the Council's response to your questions is shown below.

You asked:

Please let me know how much your Council has paid out to staff in Recruitment and Retention allowances (or the equivalent if you use a different name / approach) since April 2011.

Disclosure is in the public interest since:

- it will bring to light information on the spending of taxpayers' money.
- there is significant public scrutiny at present on expenditure by local government.
- it is consistent with the government's new transparency regime.

Response

[Recruitment payments– £40,000 – This payment has been applied in the teacher recruitment process as a result of there being a lack of qualified teachers in certain subjects in Secondary schools.](#)

[Retention payments – No retention payments have been made in the 2011 financial year.](#)

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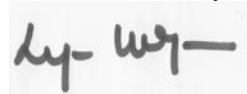
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Wycliffe House
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Telephone: 01625 545 700
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Yours sincerely



Lynn Wyeth
Information Governance Manager