



Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 000162
Date 20 May 2016

Council Tax Payments - Councillors

Request:

Please consider this as an FOI request.

In the 2015/16 council year:

1. How many councillors were issued with reminders for missing council tax payments due in the 2015/16 council year? **3**
2. Of those referred to in question 1, how many councillors were then sent court summonses as a result of missing council tax payments due in the 2015/16 council year? **1**
3. Of those referred to in question 2, what was their name, political party and amount owed? If their court cases did not go ahead, how was it resolved (i.e. a payment plan entered into or the full amount being paid off, etc)?
A summons was issued for a liability order hearing to the value of £850.56 to Councillor Rupinderjit Kaur, Labour Party, on 18 June 2015 as she had not paid the statutory monthly instalments. A payment arrangement was agreed for the remainder of the year and at the time of the cabinet meeting in February 2016 the arrangement was up to date. NB. Rupinderjit Kaur was newly elected as a councillor in May 2015.
4. Of those referred to in question 2, how many had court cases that went ahead?
One. A liability order was granted and the sum paid.
5. Of those referred to in question 4, what was the outcome of their case?
See 4
6. Were any councillors prohibited from voting on the council's budget in February as a result of these matters?
No.