

## Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 000420

Date 6 September 2016

## **EU Funding**

## Request:

I am making the following Freedom of Information request under Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

- What is the total value of the funding received in your local area since 1st January 2010 (referring to all funds received by your local authority, directly or indirectly, from any EU body, department or agency)?
  £9.3 million of EU funding has been received by City of Wolverhampton Council or is currently approved since 2010. Some of these projects are Black Country wide.
- 2) What projects in your local area have received EU funding, even in part, since 1st January 2010?

To date on this Black Country European Structural and Investment Fund (ESIF) programme 2014-20 we have secured approval, although we have not yet received any funding, for the following:

 European Social Fund and Youth Employment Initiative funded Impact in the Black Country - £5.7 million for Wolverhampton.

Other EU funded projects are currently going through the approval process funded through the European Regional Development Fund across the Black Country:

Under the last programme, since 2010, the following EU funded projects have been led by City of Wolverhampton Council

- Black Country Growth Opportunities Local Delivery £900,000
- Black Country Local Broadband Plan £188,000 ERDF
- Black Country Pathway to Enterprise (part of the North Black Country SUD package) - £281,000 ERDF
- Wolverhampton Neighbourhood Employment and Skills Service £1.1 million and £1.1 million ERDF

## [NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED]

- What applications for EU funding by the local authority, or its affiliates, have been rejected by the European Union? None to date.
- 4) What projects, that were expected to receive EU funding from the period June 23 2016 onwards, have had their funding cancelled by either the local authority, or its affiliates, on or after 23 June 2016? No projects have had their EU funding cancelled. We are still awaiting confirmation as to whether there will be another call for outline applications against the low carbon priorities. Otherwise alternative funding will be sought for these projects.
- In the local area, are there any funding applications to the EU being made after 23 June 2016, and if not, why not?

  Full bids for applications which were at outline bidding stage at 23 June have been submitted. No further call for outline applications have been launched.
- 6) If you are unable to provide this information, who can provide this? Not applicable.
- 7) Who in the local council area is responsible for coordinating EU funds?

  Service Development Team within City Economy which includes an external funding team
- 8) Which quangos do you coordinate with regarding EU funding in your local area?
  - None, however we are working with some organisations such as Skills Funding Agency who are co-financing some of the skills interventions of the Black Country European Structural and Investment Fund Strategy (ESIF)