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REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2017/01446

I write in connection with your request for information received on 24th November. I note you seek access to the following information:

Could you tell me how much it costs Hertfordshire Constabulary for the policing of football matches inside the grounds and outside of the grounds. Also how much of this cost are Hertfordshire Constabulary able to reclaim?

CLARIFICATION

Would it be possible to have the information for Premier league clubs, for each of the last available 3 financial years?

I am required by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (The Act) to handle all requests in a manner that is blind to the identity of the requestor. Any information released in response to a request is regarded as being published and therefore, in the public domain without caveat.

Following enquiries within the Constabulary please see our response below.

Response – Please note that Watford FC have been in the Premier League since season 2015-16 therefore there are only 2 seasons of figures available.

Season 2015-16

Overall cost - £129,375.00

Season 2016-17

Overall cost – 81, 887.00

Costs are based on the overall estimated policing costs for the policing operation.

The numerical data presented in this response is an un-audited snapshot of un-published data sourced from "live" systems and is subject to the interpretation of the original request by the individual extracting the data.

Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter please do not hesitate to contact me quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

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