East Lothian Council

FOI Ref: 2018/269(483368)

Under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 I would like to request the following:

-How much of the intake from council tax has gone towards staff pensions in the last three years?

Could you also include this as a percentage of the total council tax intake, and provide a breakdown by year.

-How much of the intake from council tax in the coming year will go towards staff pensions?

Again, could you also include what this is as a percentage of the overall council tax intake.

Under Section 17(1)(b) of the Act, I regret to inform you that East Lothian Council (ELC) has been unable to comply with your request as the information you require is not held.

ELC does not allocate individual funding streams to specific items of expenditure. ELC receives funding and grants from different sources, including council tax. The other areas of funding include revenue support grant, national non-domestic rates, specific grants, social care fund and reserves.

These funding streams are combined to calculate the total budgeted funding available for each financial year. The total funding is then allocated to services. ELC does not allocate each funding source individually. It is the total funding allocation that is used.

For your information, we have provided a link to the recently approved budget covering the period 2018/2019 to 2020/2021. This shows the amounts expected from each funding source and how this has been allocated to services.

https://www.eastlothian.gov.uk/download/meetings/id/19445/02a budge t_proposals_on_general_services_amendment_submited_by_the_adminis_tration