East Lothian Council

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

-The amount of money the council has spent on public relations, media and press officers in the last three years.

Could you please break this down by year - and reveal the individual salary of each person employed, if possible.

2015

Grade	Job Title	No of	Salary Banding	
		Posts		
8	Web Officer	1	£25,293 to £28,541	
9	Communications Officer	2	£28,888 to £32,593	
10	Web Manager	1	£33,578 to £37,848	
10	Media Manager	1	£33,578 to £37,848	

Total salary £166,795.86

2016

Grade	Job Title	No of	Salary Banding	
		Posts		
8	Web Officer	1	£25,549 to £28,833	
9	Communications Officer	3	£29,180 to £32,921	
10	Web Manager	1	£33,907 to £38,232	
10	Media Manager	1	£33,907 to £38,232	

Total salary £192,461.25

2017

Grade	Job Title	No of	Salary Banding
		Posts	
8	Web Officer	1	£25,877 to £29,162
9	Communications Officer	3	£29,509 to £33,250
10	Web Manager	1	£34,253 to £38,615
10	Media Manager	1	£34,253 to £38,615
12	Team Manager Communications	1	£45,152 to £51,937

Total salary £240,054.64

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Could you please state the number of people employed to deal with media/press by the council, and how much they are paid annually.

Please refer to the tables above.

If you cannot reveal the name of the individual this is understandable, however, it would be preferable.

In order to comply with Data Protection legislation, East Lothian Council does not release the names of officers below Service Manager level.

-The amount paid in pension contributions to public relations, media and press staff in the last three years.

Again, could you break this down by year and individual.

East Lothian Council's pension contributions to the Local Government Pension Scheme amounts to 20.4% of the individual's salary.