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1. A list of Credit Unions that you partner with to offer a payroll deduction facility for staff i.e. salary is deducted and funds are sent to a Credit Union.

Capital Credit Union (CCU), Edinburgh.

2. The number of staff who are currently actively using this facility – a number for each Credit Union if you partner with more than one.

525

3. The number of staff employed by the Council (heads, not FTE)

4,800

- 4. Can you advise if you partner with either of the following organisations to offer salary linked benefits to your staff:
- Neyber
- Salary Finance

Not applicable, East Lothian Council (ELC) does not partner with either of these organisations.

5. If the answer is yes to 4 above please advise the number of staff using the facility – a number for each if using both organisations

N/A

6. Detail any direct financial support given to any Credit Union over the last 3 financial years (if more than one Credit Union supported a different set of figures for each).

The CCU holds a lease from ELC for accommodation, however, they pay a market rent for the space which is inclusive of buildings insurance charges, business rates and utility charges.

7. Detail any 'in kind' support given to any Credit Union over the last 3 financial years. This could include accommodation, IT support, accounting / audit support, etc.

N/A

8. Detail any 'in kind' support currently given to any Credit Union.

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Finally, it may help to explain that Freedom of Information legislation only applies to information which is held or recorded by a public authority. It does not apply to views, opinions, intentions, general questions or questions which simply require a yes/no answer. In view of this, some of the questions asked are not technically valid for the purposes of this legislation as they are not requests for specific recorded information that ELC may or may not hold.

In order to assist you, however, colleagues have addressed the questions posed to the best of their knowledge. For future reference, a link to the "Tips for Requesters" page of the Scottish Information Commissioner's website has been provided which you may find useful:

http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/YourRights/Tipsforrequesters.aspx