



Re: Freedom of Information Request

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Cc: Mike Barnett <mbarnett@academiesenterprisetrust.org>

Hello,

Thank you for this response to my Freedom of Information request.

I have some follow up questions. I am looking to write a piece on Wednesday so would like responses by then.

Questions as follows

Of the 19 posts earning more than £100,000. Which of these are paid from academy trust's central budget?

Three posts have a salary above that of the Prime Minister. How has this salary been arrived at? How would the trust justify paying staff more than the Prime Minister?

Does the trust have ambitions to sponsor more schools in Yorkshire in future?

What do you consider to be the maximum capacity of schools that your academy trust could lead?

How were each of the Yorkshire schools in your group identified. How did they become AET academies?

Is there anything the trust would want to say about the money it takes from schools to fund central services. ie Why is it needed. Where does it go? What does it provide?

Has the trust worked with academy brokers to identify schools it would like to run/sponsor as academies?

Also it has been reported that the Department for Education has told AET to concentrate on raising standards in existing schools and that the trust has been barred from taking on any more schools amid concerns over the trust's rapid expansion. Is there any comment the trust would like to make about this?

I hope these questions make sense. I can be contacted on 0113 2388344. I am happy to receive written answers or to do an interview on the phone if that was a better way of doing this.

thank you for your time

John

On 29 May 2013 13:26, Varlow, Claire <cvarlow@academiesenterprisetrust.org> wrote:

Dear Mr Roberts

Further to your email communications with Mike Barnett please find attached AET's response to your FOI request.

Kind regards,

Claire Varlow

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