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Freedom of Information Officer

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Dear Ms Paul

Your request for information received on 6 February 2018 has been dealt with under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

You asked:

Please can you send me the following information for each of the academic years 2013-2018. For the first four questions I would like this data in spreadsheet format (CSV or XLS).

1. How many support service staff have been employed with a mental health remit (e.g. counselling, wellbeing) in each of the last 5 academic years. If a breakdown is not available for mental health staff, please provide a total for the closest possible category.
2. Budget for mental health support for each of the last 5 academic years, and where possible a breakdown on how that money is allocated, e.g. staff, marketing, equipment etc.
3. Number of students seeking mental health support in each of the last 5 academic years
4. Average waiting time for mental health support in each of the last 5 academic years
5. Any internal reports or reviews relating to mental health provision over the last 5 years.

University Response

1. 2012/13

Head of Student Welfare and Counselling – 1FTE – 1 person
Counsellors – 3FTE – 6 people

2013/14

Head of Student Welfare and Counselling – 1FTE – 1 person
Counsellors – 3FTE – 6 people

2014/15

Student Mental Health Manager – 1FTE – 1 person
Counsellors – 3.14FTE – 6 people
Associate training counsellors – 2 FTE – 2 people (voluntary)

2015/16

Student Mental Health Manager – 1FTE – 1 person
 Counsellors – 3.14FTE – 6 people
 Associate training counsellors – 2 FTE – 2 people (voluntary)

2016/17

Student Counselling and Mental Health Manager – 1FTE
 Mental Health Advisor – 2FTE – 2 people
 Counsellors – 3.14FTE – 6 people
 Counselling Psychologist – 1FTE – 1 person
 Consultant Psychiatrist – 90 pa – vacancy
 Associate training counsellors – 2 FTE – 2 people (voluntary)
 In addition, we use Barnet Mind Matters (IAPT) to support our students on day a wee (not employed but hosted by the university).

2017/18

Student Mental Counselling and Health Manager 1FTE
 Mental Health Advisors 2FTE
 Counsellor 3.15FTE
 Counselling Psychologist 1FTE
 Wellbeing Services Administrator 1FTE
 Associate Training Counsellor - Voluntary 0
 Psychiatrist - 90 hours 0.05FTE

2.

	Budget
17/18	£443,331 (provisional not actual)
16/17	£356,096
15/16	£228,549
14/15	£216,661
13/14	£255,071
12/13	£123,406

We do not yet have finalised figures for 2017/18 so we do not hold the information you have requested.

3. We did not begin to properly record this data until 2013/14 but for the data we do hold:
 - 2013/14: 354
 - 2014/15: 468
 - 2015/16: 580
 - 2016/17: 617
 - 2017/18: 470 to date of request
4. We do not record specific waiting times for students seeking treatment so we do not hold the information you have requested.
5. There have been no internal reports or reviews about mental health provision at this University.

I trust this satisfies your request sufficiently. Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, you have the right to complain about the University's response to your request for information. If you have such a complaint, you may contact Mrs Teresa Kelly, Clerk to the Board of Governors, Middlesex University, Hendon campus, London NW4 4BT, tel: 020 8411 6018, t.kelly@mdx.ac.uk within 40

days of the date of this letter for a review of the University's decision. If you remain unsatisfied with the outcome of that complaint, you may seek further recourse by lodging an appeal with the Information Commissioner.

Yours sincerely

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