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Freedom of Information Officer

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Dear Ms Grosvenor

Your request for information received on 13 November 2018 has been dealt with under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

You asked:

I am writing to make an open government request for all the information to which I am entitled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Please send me:

1. Details of the financial support offered to students studying on non-medical health programmes to cover the upfront cost of travel to practice placement prior to reimbursement by external funding bodies (i.e. NHS Business Authority). These programmes at Middlesex University are as listed-

- BSc (Hons) Nursing (All fields)

2. The total monetary amount (£) the university spent on supporting non-medical health students with the upfront cost of travel to, and accommodation for, practice placements in the academic year 2016/17.

3. The total monetary amount (£) the university spent on supporting non-medical health students with the upfront cost of travel to, and accommodation for, practice placements in the academic year 2017/18.

4. Information on whether students are required to pay any monies received for the purpose of placement accommodation and travel costs back to the university.

University Response

Other than hardship loans which are available to any students who require this support, regardless of course, we do not have a specific fund within the scope of your request.

As a London-based institution all placements are within the London region so there would not usually be any additional accommodation costs related to placements. We do reimburse travel costs if students have spent a certain amount getting to and from their placement but this is never an upfront payment as specified in your request.

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 Mr David Maplas, Director of Student Affairs, Middlesex University, Hendon campus, London NW4 4BT, tel: 020 8411 5830, d.malpas@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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