

Community Resources
Executive Director **Norrie Anderson**
Support Services

Mr Robert Freel
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Our ref: FOI/09/157
Your ref:
If calling ask for: Laurane Rhind
Phone: 01698 454721
Date: 12 November 2009

Dear Mr Freel

Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA)
Request for Information

I refer to your information request received by the Council on 25 October 2009 in which you request the following information:

- 1 What is the overall maintenance budget (excluding wages) for public parks in South Lanarkshire and how is this apportioned to all the parks in South Lanarkshire? What is the budget for Stonehouse Park?
- 2 What is the total number of labour resources allocated to the parks within South Lanarkshire and how is this apportioned across the parks in South Lanarkshire?
- 3 Please provide a copy of the maintenance schedule for Stonehouse AHMP.
- 4 How many operatives and supervisors are allocated to work within Stonehouse Park?
- 5 How much has been spent this financial year on the maintenance of Stonehouse Park?

The Council can give you some of the information you have requested:

- 1 See below
- 2 The employee establishment figures including permanent and seasonal employees are allocated to general grounds duties, cemeteries, arboriculture, construction and play areas. The general grounds work on all public land including general open spaces and public parks, employees are not allocated to specific parks.
- 3 Please find enclosed copy of annual maintenance schedule.
- 4 Stonehouse forms part of an overall geographical area for which 1 Land Officer and 1 Land Assistant are responsible. There are 45 employees (including temporary seasonal workers) who cover Strathaven, Stonehouse and Larkhall area.
- 5 See below

Information held back in terms of section 17 of FOISA

The Council cannot give you this information because it does not have it.

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- 1 The overall grounds maintenance budget is not divided into specific areas such as public parks, I am therefore unable to provide the budget allocated to parks and specifically to Stonehouse Park.
- 5 As the budget allocation is not specific to any one public park, I am unable to provide the actual spend for Stonehouse Park.

Request for Review

We have an internal panel (the review panel) to deal with complaints from people who are not happy about the way that we have handled their request. Staff not involved in the original decision will handle any review.

If you want to complain, you can ask the panel to reassess our actions. Please note that if you wish to complain, you must do so before 22 January 2010. You must explain why you are not happy when requesting a review.

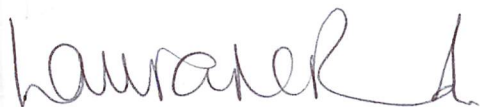
You should send your request for a review to:

Mr. W. Dunn
Legal Services Adviser
Corporate Resources
Montrose House
154 Montrose Crescent
Hamilton, ML3 6LL

Alternatively, you can request a review via: foi.reviews@southlanarkshire.gov.uk.

Should you not be satisfied with the outcome of our review, you will then have the right to appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner. Please see the Commissioner's website at www.itspublicknowledge.info.

Yours sincerely



Laurane Rhind
Personnel Manager

Alexander Memorial Park, Stonehouse
Annual Maintenance Schedule

- 1 Grass Cutting
- 2 Litter Collection
- 3 Shrub Bed Pruning
- 4 Shrub Bed Forking
- 5 Shrub Bed Weed Control
- 6 Shrub Bed Half Moon Edging
- 7 Annual Bed Planting
- 8 Annual Bed Hoe & Hand Weed
- 9 Annual Bed Half Moon Edging
- 10 Running Track – Brush
- 11 Running Track Weeding
- 12 Jumping Pit – Maintenance
- 13 Sports Field – Rolling
- 14 Sports Field – Aeration
- 15 Sports Field – Renovation / Fertiliser
- 16 Sports Field – Dismantle Goals / Paint
- 17 Tennis Courts – Weed Control
- 18 Furniture / Play Equipment Paint (50%)
- 19 Inspect Fences / Walls
- 20 Play Area Maintenance + Inspection