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& PETERBOROUGH**  
COMBINED AUTHORITY

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### **Freedom of Information Request – CA40**

Thank you for your e-mail of 31 October 2018 where you requested the following information:

*“I would like to request under the Freedom of Information Act the name of the person or company who provided the legal advice to either any officer in the Combined Authority or the Mayor or the Mayor's Office in regard to the departure of the former Chief Executive, Martin Whiteley.*

*I would also like to know who made the request for advice, when it was made and the cost of that advice and to whom it was provided, either by email or letter.”*

We have now completed searching for the information you requested. In response to your questions, we confirm as follows:

- The name of the firm of solicitors providing the advice was Trowers and Hamlin LLP.
- The Mayor, James Palmer, requested the advice on or about the 15<sup>th</sup> August.
- The cost of the advice was £11,202 plus VAT
- The advice was provided to the Mayor in a written report.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

I hope this information is helpful but if you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review, you should write to us via our contact us email address – [contactus@cambridgeshirepeterborough-ca.gov.uk](mailto:contactus@cambridgeshirepeterborough-ca.gov.uk) or write a letter to Complaints, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority, Incubator 2, Alconbury Weald Enterprise Campus, Huntingdon, PE28 4WX within 40 days of the date of this e-mail.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF, or via their website:

<https://ico.org.uk/>

Generally, the ICO will not undertake a review or make a decision on a request until the internal review process has been completed.

Yours sincerely



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