



**CAMBRIDGESHIRE
& PETERBOROUGH**
COMBINED AUTHORITY

17 September 2018

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I write with reference to your request dated 20 August, reference CA17.

Please find the response provided below.

I hope this information is helpful but if you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request, please let me know.

Question:

Emails, meeting/briefing notes and/or notes from any phone calls between the Mayor and/or Deputy Mayor and/or the Mayor's office acting on their behalf to the Monitoring Officer and/or Chief Executive and/or HR Department in connection with the application from Councillor Paul Raynes for a Director level post; ie any advice sought or received in regard to the fact that Councillor Raynes is an elected member of Cambridgeshire County Council (a constituent member of the Combined Authority) and Vice Chair of SE Cambridgeshire Conservatives Association, including on if such an application is permissible within the legislative framework, who should interview/assess his application, if the Code of Conduct might at any point be engaged for members interviewing him.

Answer:

A full search of all email and telephone communication against the terms of your request resulted in one email sent from HR to the Mayor's office on 8 June 2018 containing the long list candidate pack from the resourcing agency Penna. This contains the personal information in relation to all 14 candidates the entire document would need to be redacted, we are therefore unable to publish this.

For reference the Code of Conduct applies to all members at all times and is available on our website <http://cambridgeshirepeterborough-ca.gov.uk/about-us/transparency/>

Any elected Councillor from a membership body would need to resign that post prior to commencing any employment within the Combined Authority, as was the case with the candidate appointed to the role of Director of Strategy and Planning.

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 or write a letter to Complaints, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority, c/o Scrutiny Officer, The Grange, Nutholt Lane, Ely CB7 4EE 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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