



18 September 2019

Dear 

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Information request (ref: FOI_19-289)

We have now considered your request of 05 September 2019 for information relating to the Vice Chancellor's membership of the Universities Superannuation Scheme (USS) pension scheme.

Our response is on page 2-3 of this letter, together with a copy of your request.

We hope this information will meet your requirements, however if you are not satisfied you have the right of appeal. If you wish to appeal, please set out in writing your reasons for appealing and send to the above address. You must appeal within 40 working days of the date of this letter. In line with section 5.3 of the UK Government's Freedom of Information Act Code of Practice, we are not obliged to accept internal reviews after this date.

You also have a subsequent right of appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office. Further information is available on their website:

https://ico.org.uk/Global/contact_us, or by telephone on 0303 123 1113.

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Please quote our reference given at the head of this letter in all correspondence.

Yours sincerely

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Response to Freedom of Information Act 2000 request (FOI_19-289)

1. Name of institution

University of East Anglia.

2. Name of vice-chancellor/principal

Professor David Richardson.

3. Is the vice-chancellor/principal a current active member of USS?

Yes.

a. If yes, does the university contribute to the vice-chancellor/principal's USS pension (apart from technical charges you have to pay for death in service)?

b. If yes, does the vice-chancellor/principal contribute to his or her USS pension?

c. If no, has the vice-chancellor/principal ever been an active member of USS?

a. Yes

b. Yes

c. Not applicable, see response to question 3 above.

4. If the vice-chancellor/principal has previously been a member of USS, but no longer pays into the scheme:

a. When did they leave USS?

b. Had the vice-chancellor/principal reached the maximum lifetime allowance when they ceased to be an active member of USS?

Not applicable, see response to question 4 above.

5. Does the vice-chancellor/principal have an enhanced opt out membership of USS?

No.

a. If they do, is that as an alternative to normal active membership?

b. Does the university pay a top up in lieu of full pension contributions?

c. What is the total value of payments of this type made since the vice chancellor/principal has been in post?

Not applicable, see response to question 5 above.

6. If the vice-chancellor/principal is not an active member of USS, does the university provide a payment in lieu of pension contribution?

- a. How much was the last payment?*
- b. Has the university made a payment of this type every year since the vice-chancellor/principal left USS?*
- c. What is the total value of payments of this type made since the vice-chancellor/principal has been in post?*

Not applicable, see response to question 3 above.

- 7. If the vice-chancellor/principal is not an active member of USS, does the university provide a payment to an alternative pension provider?*
- a. How much was the last payment?*
 - b. Has the university made a payment of this type every year since the vice-chancellor/principal left USS?*
 - c. What is the total value of payments of this type made since the vice-chancellor/principal has been in post?*

Not applicable, see response to question 3 above.