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Dear Ms

Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your email, received on 30 November, in which you requested information held by the University.

We consider the attendance on courses by individual members of staff to be personal information and therefore we have to refuse the first part of your request under Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act – Personal Information.

Similarly, we consider that any correspondence or emails relating to course participation also falls within this exemption.

Information about the Common Purpose Matrix Programme is available on the University's Human Resources Development intranet site, along with information about many other types of development and training activities. Staff are encouraged to identify their own development activities and so, in effect, they nominate themselves with the agreement of their line manager.

I enclose the information about Common Purpose Matrix which appears on this intranet site.

If I can provide you with any further non-personal information, please contact me again.

If you wish to appeal against any refusals for your request, please write to:

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