

Motion from Cllr. Des O'Grady for Council Meeting 24th October 2016

"To request a written report outlining the total cost paid by Cork County Council to external consultants for the year 2015. The figure should include all professional consultancy fees paid to non-Council employees, including amounts paid on projects funded by Government grants. The separate amount for each Council Directorate to be included".

Separately, to outline the amounts spent on external legal services in 2015.

Response to NOM:

The total spend by Cork County Council on external consultants for the year 2015 was €3,798,037. Of this, €2,948,399 has been funded by grants from various bodies including Office of Public Works (OPW), Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII), National Transport Authority (NTA), Department Housing Planning Community & Local Government (DHPCLG) and other government departments.

In 2015 County Council invested €83,979,169 in our capital programme. The total spend consultancy fees of €3.8m represents only 4.5% of this investment in the Capital Programme of €84m.

€866,679 was spent by Cork County Council on external legal services in 2015.

The table below shows the amount for professional consultancy fees separately for each Council Directorate.

Directorate	Totals €
Corporate Services	24,212
County Architect	984
County Library	800
Economic Development and Tourism	72,660
Environment Services	604,775
Finance	16,502
Fire and Civil Protection	4,170
Housing Services	146,386
Northern Division	34,358
Organisational Development	140,753
Planning & Forward Planning	139,756
Roads Services	2,120,603
South Cork Division	79,461
Water Services	259,410
Western Division	153,208
Totals	3,798,037

Lorraine Lynch

Head of Finance , 21/10/2016