

Our ref: FOI 26/04

30th January 2026

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request of 7th January 2026 in which you asked the following:

I am requesting under the Freedom of Information Act details of:

- 1. The full financial cost of the closure over the new years period, including the installation rental and removal of the additional fencing and additional costs, if any, for works to repair damage to the green space from the fence installation and removal.***
- 2. Where the funds to cover the full financial cost of the closure have come from, including the share of cost covered by Royal Parks and share cost covered by Camden Council.***

You have asked for the full financial cost of the closure over the new years period, including the installation rental and removal of the additional fencing and additional costs, if any, for works to repair damage to the green space from the fence installation and removal. We can confirm that the figure is: £63,263.37 plus VAT. We do not hold information on repair costs.

In relation to question two, please find a link to our latest [Annual Report and Accounts](#) which outlines how we are funded and generate income. We have passed your request for Camden's financial share to Camden Council's FOI team to respond.

As the charity and custodians of the Royal Parks we must prioritise the safety and wellbeing of our visitors. As has been well documented in the press, the decision to close Primrose Hill on New Years Eve was not taken lightly. In 2024 an estimated 30,000 people visited Primrose Hill to view the Mayor of London's New Year's Eve firework display. This was not an organised event but a gathering in open parkland which means that we have limited controls that we can deploy to ensure public safety. Cost was not a factor in this decision.

I hope this information satisfies your request.

Right of Review



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If you are dissatisfied with this response, you may request an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this letter, quoting the reference at the top of the page and should be addressed to:

Records Manager
The Royal Parks
The Old Police House
Hyde Park
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W2 2UH

Email: records@royalparks.org.uk

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, quoting the reference at the top of the page. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely,

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