Freedom of Information: Investments (06624)

Thank you for your email of 5th April 2024 in which you requested information regarding investments made by the University.

We have dealt with your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

**Your request**

In the below request, the phrase 'arms trade companies' relates to, but not limited to:

- BAE systems
- Babcock
- QinetiQ
- Rolls-Royce
- Serco
- Cobham
- Raytheon
- Airbus
- General Dynamics
- Leonardo MW
- Lockheed Martin
- Thales
- MBDA
- Elbit Systems
- Caterpillar
- MOD
- DSTL
- Atomic Weapons establishment
- GKN
- Boeing

Please may you provide:

1. Any investment made into an arms trade company, detailing the name of the arms trade company/organisation, amount invested, and type of investment (e.g. bonds, stocks and shares, capital etc.) of that financial year, for the past five financial years.
2. Any investment made into an arms trade company by the university endowment fund organised by name of company/organisation, amount invested of that financial year, for the past five financial years
3. The name of any investment management firm or bank the university uses to make investments, and the amount given to them annually. If they do provide a list of the names of

companies/organisations/investments they make on the university's behalf, please include any investments in arms trade companies provided by this information.

**Our Response**

1. The University does not and has not made any investments into arms trade companies.
2. The University does not and has not made any investments into arms trade companies by the endowment fund.
3. The University invests spare funds with Lloyds Bank Corporate Markets through the University's current account held with Lloyds Bank. The University also invests spare funds on a short-term basis with HSBC, ESG and CCLA funds through the Institutional Cash Distributors Limited portal. As the University only invests spare funds, we are unable to provide the amount given to them annually as this is variable.

We trust this addressed your enquiry.

Should you be unhappy with how we handled your request for information, you can complain to the University to reconsider the decisions made, and we will respond. You will need to provide a valid name and address for correspondence.

Complaints should be submitted within three months of this response to your request and should be addressed to: dp.officer@canterbury.ac.uk. Further details of the process to be followed can be found at: Freedom of information - Canterbury Christ Church University

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or any subsequent complaint, you have a right to make a complaint to the Information Commissioner here: https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/

Telephone: 0303 123 1113
Website: www.ico.gov.uk.

There is no charge for making a complaint to the ICO.

Kind regards,
Canterbury Christ Church University
23rd April 2024