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28 January 2020

Dear [REDACTED],

Freedom of Information request: FOI2019/00007

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on the 28 November in which you requested the following:

Your request:

Please kindly provide information on the cost of annual maintenance, disaggregated as much as possible to the extent below, of the ship RRS James Clark Ross in 2017, 2018 and 2019 to date using the following table:

Expenses for RRS James Clark Ross	2017	2018	2019
Expenses for fuel			
Expenses for maintenance works and major repair works			
Expenses for procurement of food for crew members and scientists			
Expenses for the navigation equipment (or upgrade thereof) and scientific equipment used onboard			
Salary of the crew			
Port fees and expenses in world ports where the ship was berthed			
TOTAL			

Furthermore, please also confirm if full repair programme has been carried out (if yes, when) or if you have plans to do so before any future sale of the vessel.

We would also be grateful if you would confirm if the RRS James Clark Ross is intended to be sold by BAS and what, if any, purchase price has been agreed with the government of Ukraine.

Our response

I can confirm UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) hold information relevant to your request. Please see the information below.

1) The cost of annual maintenance is as follows:

Expenses for RRS James Clark Ross*	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Fuel	1,756,021	2,064,565	2,184,645
Maintenance works and major repairs	677,453	883,939	2,000,000
Food	164,542	171,147	200,000
Navigation and Scientific equipment	186,184	104,814	85,000
Crew Salary	3,044,405	3,010,440	2,623,394
Port fees and expenses	133,260	220,565	200,000
Total	5,961,864	6,455,469	7,293,039

*Please note that these figures are provided for the financial, rather than calendar, year, running from 1st April to 31st March. The figures are actual expenditure for 2017/18 and 2018/19 and forecast (so subject to change) for 2019/20.

2) Please also confirm if full repair programme has been carried out (if yes, when) or if you have plans to do so before any future sale of the vessel.

A nominal refit of the James Clark Ross would be carried out prior to sale to ensure the ship met all class requirements.

3) We would also be grateful if you would confirm if the RRS James Clark Ross is intended to be sold by BAS and what, if any purchase price has been agreed with the Government of Ukraine.

It would be BAS' intention to sell the James Clark Ross in due course. No information is held with regards to an agreed purchase price for the ship.

If you have any queries regarding our response or you are unhappy with the outcome of your request and wish to seek a review of the decision, please contact:

Head of Information Governance


Email: foi@ukri.org or infogovernance@ukri.org

Please quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of our internal review you are entitled to refer the matter to the Information Commissioner's Office for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the review procedure provided by UKRI. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: <http://www.ico.gov.uk/>

If you wish to raise a complaint regarding the service you have received or the conduct of any UKRI staff in relation to your request, please see UKRI's complaints policy: <https://www.ukri.org/about-us/policies-and-standards/complaints-policy/>

Yours sincerely,


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