

Date: 11/08/2023

Request Ref: 2929

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for information, received at this office on **17/07/2023** in which you requested details of the following:

- *Please provide all documentation the university holds about the Chinese Students and Scholars Association (CSSA). This is a student group at your university controlled by the Chinese embassy. I am interested in documentation that CSSA members have signed with the university and its subsidiary bodies, particularly concerning student affairs, such as the Student Union. This may include items such as the Constitution, funding applications, or copies of room bookings made by the group. Regarding the timeframe, please provide relevant information from year 2013-2023.*

The Freedom of Information Act requires that this request is dealt with in a manner that is motive and applicant blind. A disclosure under this legislation is considered a disclosure to the world and is considered to be on the basis that it is in the public interest.

### **Response**

The Student Union is a separate entity to the University and is not subject to the Freedom of Information Act as it is not a "Public Authority" in the sense of the Act. Should you wish to enquire with the union, they can be contacted on – [www.hullunion.com/contact](http://www.hullunion.com/contact).

Based on the above, the University does not hold any information in relation to this request.

If you are unhappy with how your request has been handled you have the right to ask for an internal review (within 40 days from receiving response). To request a review, please email [dataprotection@hull.ac.uk](mailto:dataprotection@hull.ac.uk). The review will be conducted by the Data Protection Officer or University Secretary.

Should you remain dissatisfied following an internal review you may then appeal to the Information Commissioners Office at [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk) or Tel 0303 123 1113.

Yours sincerely,

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