

SPSO decision report

Case: 201801434, Clackmannanshire Council
Sector: local government
Subject: policy / administration
Decision: not upheld, no recommendations

Summary

Mr C complained about the council's decision to significantly increase fees for musical tuition. He considered the council had not followed due process, in that there had been insufficient consultation on the decision, or assessment of the impact the decision would have.

We found that the council had held a number of public consultation meetings relating to their proposed budget and that there was recorded evidence to show that musical tuition was raised at some of these. We also found that they had carried out an appropriate equality impact assessment on the decision, which did not highlight any equality concerns. Overall, we were satisfied that the council had reasonably complied with their policies and procedures before reaching the decision. Therefore, we did not uphold Mr C's complaint.