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Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request

The total cost incurred by the Crown Prosecution Service in prosecuting the murder trial R v Amusa & Ors at Ipswich Crown Court

Request

- 1. The total cost incurred by the Crown Prosecution Service in prosecuting the murder trial R v Amusa & Ors at Ipswich Crown Court, case reference 37CJ0438118.***
- 2. Please provide details of the lawyer costs, how much was spent in transporting the defendants to court for each day of the trial and how much compensation was paid to Suffolk Police for providing evidence and support.***
- 3. Also, please provide details of how many hours were spent on legal argument.***
- 4. And what has been the overall cost of prosecuting the last five murder trials in Suffolk? Please provide a figure broken down for each one.***

Response

- The total cost incurred by the CPS is £186,367.68.

Queens Counsel -
£121,906.58

Junior Counsel 1 –
£64,141.32

Junior Counsel 2 - £55.80

Junior Counsel 3 - £69.76

Junior Counsel 4- £194.22



- The defendants travel to court and compensation paid to Suffolk Police are not cost borne by the CPS.
- Trial Counsel spent approximately 30 hours arguing matters of law.
- The CPS only holds costs in relation to preparation time for the court hearings. Please see table below:

Case Name	Advocate	Preparation Cost
BOSTOCK	CPS - Principal Crown Advocate	£3,155.80
BUTCHER	CPS – Senior Crown Advocate	£528.72
RYAN	CPS – Senior Crown Advocate	£1,916.61
KENNEDY MILLER & HARTLEY	CPS – Senior Crown Advocate	£2,863.39
BELARBI	CPS - Principal Crown Advocate	£254.50

External Costs	
KENNEDY MILLER & HARTLEY	Queens Counsel - £51,338.28

Under Section 16 of the FOI Act, there is a duty to provide advice and assistance; it is of the view of the CPS that the records held by Her Majesty’s Courts and Tribunals Service (HMCTS) will provide the cost of transporting the defendants to court. A Freedom of Information request can be made to HMCTS at:

data.access@justice.gov.uk

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