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Re: Freedom of Information Act 2000: Chief Information Officer at the Office of Budget Responsibility

Thank you for your enquiry dated 17 June. I am treating your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You asked for the following information –

- Does the Office of Budget Responsibility have a Chief Information Officer? If so, please supply their name and grade and a list of their duties.
- If the Office of Budget Responsibility does not have a Chief Information Officer, does the Treasury have a CIO? If so, please supply their name and grade and a list of their duties.

The Office for Budget Responsibility (OBR) was established on an interim basis on 17 May 2010. It is led by a three-person Budget Responsibility Committee, supported by a small secretariat of economists and public finance experts redeployed from within the Treasury. It is funded from within HM Treasury's existing departmental budget and is housed within the Treasury building at 1 Horse Guards Road. Its services (including IT) are provided by the Treasury. Therefore Karen Delafield as CIO for HM Treasury is currently responsible for OBR's information services.

Sir Alan Budd, as Chair of the Budget Responsibility Committee, has advised the Chancellor on the arrangements for the permanent body. Legislation will be brought forward in due course.

Karen Delafield is a member of the senior civil service. Treasury grade structure is arranged in pay bands. Karen is in Range F. Her role covers the management of IT and Estates. Her duties as CIO include:

- Programme and Project Management Practice
- Supplier Management
- Business Partnering
- Solutions Delivery
- Governance

- Resource Management

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. It will be helpful to us if you remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.



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Your right to complain under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

If you are not happy with this reply, you may request a review by writing to HM Treasury, Information Rights Unit, 2/S2, 1 Horse Guards Road, London SW1A 2HQ.

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Any review request must be made within 2 months of the date of this letter.

It would assist our review if you set out which aspects of the reply concern you and why you are dissatisfied.

If you are not content with the outcome your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Treasury. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.