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Date as email

Dear Mr Amis

FOI-20-3933-R – Internal Review response

I am writing in response to your concerns about HS2 Ltd's handling of your request for information (our reference: FOI-20-3933).

I am a senior member of the HS2 Ltd Executive Team appointed to carry out an independent review of how we responded to your request, and as someone that was not involved in that response.

Original request

On 02 December 2020 you asked for the following information:

1. The most up to date risk assessment or SIMILAR which describes the risk posed by HS2's construction to the Chiltern aquifer.

2. The most recent date when information regarding the risk to the Chiltern aquifer was presented to the HS2 Ltd Board.

3. The information that was supplied to the Board in point 2.

And then on 01 March 2021:

Please investigate why this FOI has not been addressed and provide the response to it that should have been received months ago.

Internal review

I now see that you received a response to your original request on 09 March 2021.

I accept that this was indeed late and would like to add my apology to that that you have already received. I understand that the delay was caused by the complexity of the request but do accept that we failed to provide updates to you regarding any delays.

I have asked the FOI team to ensure that this does not happen again and that all requestors are kept updated of any delays to the response to their request.

Conclusion

I trust that this response addresses your concerns. If you are not content with the way we have handled your review, you may take this up in writing with the Information Commissioner, please see further details below.

Please remember to quote reference number **FOI-20-3933-R** in any future communication relating to this request.

Yours sincerely,

Chris Rayner

Director of Infrastructure
High Speed Two (HS2) Limited

Your right to complain to HS2 Ltd and the Information Commissioner

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office

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