Dear Pauline Hinder,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information (FoI) request received on 5 April. You wrote:

“For the purposes of the following questions, this is for ALL awards for PIP whether by Tribunal outcome or DWP awarded.

1. In the 12 month period above what was the total number of PIP awards due to end?

2. How many at 1. above received a courtesy letter advising the end of their PIP within the normal “courtesy letter” period of 14 weeks before their award end date?

3. How many at 1. above continued their PIP award by extension or re-application to date?

4. how many had 6 month extensions because their award end dates were between 24/3/20-2/10/20?

5. did those at 4. all receive letters confirming the auto-extension to their PIP award?

6. How many received no award ending notification letter?”

**DWP Response**

I can confirm that we do hold information falling within the description specified in your request. However, we estimate that the cost of complying with your request would exceed the appropriate limit for central Government, set by regulations at £600. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 3½ working days in determining whether the Department holds the information, and locating, retrieving and extracting it.

Under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act the Department is not therefore obliged to comply with your request and we will not be processing it further.

Under section 16 of the Act we should assist the requester in helping narrow their request so that it may fall beneath the cost limit. In this instance we are unable to provide a suggestion to narrow your request due to the specific nature of your request.
If you have any queries about this letter, please contact us quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely,

DWP Central Freedom of Information Team
Department for Work and Pensions

Your right to complain under the Freedom of Information Act

If you are not happy with this response you may request an internal review by e-mailing freedom-of-information-request@dwp.gov.uk or by writing to: DWP Central FoI Team, Caxton House, 6-12 Tothill Street, London, SW1H 9NA. Any review request should be submitted within two months of the date of this letter.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner’s Office for a decision. Generally, the Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner’s Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF. Website: ICO Contact Information or telephone 0303 123 1113.