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Dear Owen Stevens,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information (Fol) request received on 8 August. You wrote:

“This document, from February 2020, sets out an agreed approach and timetable for evaluation of labour market impacts of UC: https://secure-web.cisco.com/1-ncZU5_zzpbJIZNyzUBDIGHfoRkawi-VjZbAU7nC5SpffJ9R5WAwwW6hQXoyvtbf4iXk9MhzNmhOdeAujbi83b2C2uTNMEiM6Tys02gv4tnCdbRVNcZtkNb6Xj8m-6KAHbHAGdBnHddRtcRJQPcOCQE6aYkHpsInYQsqb-53l-0PNO7UYyyypgtafLgUOf7FDj0_GwtCtAoFpJsYzTx38zUq26ZpN_4jPUfepkIEQsa0h4JnuOzA0riaPi4Mz2q1-uK1lyK_9bMK3J4wEfx1PVHq7iN5CDZ-YzvRnQHIR_85xgPYT2HCdku43kLZnzuFgnbVV8WlgUt5zfLPKvtnLQ/https%3A%2F%2Fdata.parliament.uk%2FdepositedPapers%2Ffiles%2FDEP2022-0377%2F27-UCPB_18-02-20-BTL02-UC_Benefits_Realisation_Update_R.pdf

The evaluation planned under para.5(a) appears to have been published: https://secure-web.cisco.com/1bcNT5JTW_gbS0gKGO09Meh5KlpNqyL5Z0Unl23t-6QMVHRdUbkyw3DmU35x_97Ha3kaeXGFGE9mABs4segJCdWrt5ILOHmmtzxqj0OH0rFNG-DA0OlokpEUexsvNf6ztJmT50W1YPiXH9dG7RebmhjDZGRNUJOFrawK_-HCzwxiovM6o6wa7Psnenv1Gj4ez1a3aKfRX79Cz_7-dMQnvDCWKiliz-b7bxj4Wk2aXSXHimSKbezL08zavdGcnur4YkPJ3kVzmfsvGuT8f3ZZBASrerc05cVZ_dFj-mznJg5YaafIXCSWhf8yMdFESMMDYR7LizM-pdYOHZg_Mpp8Qw/https%3A%2F%2Fquestions-statements.parliament.uk%2Fwritten-questions%2Fdetail%2F2022-06-09%2F15246

The evaluation planned under para.5(b)-(e) does not appear to have been published.

Please provide the evaluation resulting from the work described in para.5(b)-(e). If the evaluation is due for publication in future then please provide the expected publication date.”

DWP Response

We confirm that we do not hold the information you have requested.

The Universal Credit Programme Board paper you refer to is dated 18 February 2020. The challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic meant priorities changed and the Department

focused on supporting the millions of individuals who made claims to Universal Credit. The Department is still committed to understanding the labour market impacts of Universal Credit.

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

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