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Mr Frederick Wesley

Date: **11 March 2019**

Dear Mr Wesley

**Environmental Information Regulations 2004
- 4043148**

Thank you for your request for information which was received on 11 February 2019 about allotment referrals to the Secretary of State.

Your request has been considered under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR). The EIR offers the same parallel access to information as the Freedom of Information Act.

I can confirm that the information requested is held by the Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government and we are able to provide you with this information.

I will deal with each question which you have raised in turn.

1. *The total number of allotment disposal applications received since the 01/01/17?*

42 allotment disposal applications were received by the department between 1 January 2017 and 14 February 2019.

2. *The name of applicant (by applicant I mean authority name or similar and not the individual) and date of application?*

Please see the attached spreadsheet.

3. *The total number approved for deregulation since the 01/01/17?*

26 of the 42 applications have been granted.

4. *Of the total number approved, the number approved under "exceptional circumstances" as stated at 1.7 of the current Allotment Disposal Guidance?*

9 of the 42 applications have been granted under exceptional circumstances.

6. *The total number rejected since the 01/01/17?*

3 of the 42 applications have been refused.

6. The total number classed as incomplete or non-compliant since the 01/01/2017?

7 of the 42 applications have been withdrawn or found invalid.

7. Of the number approved under "exceptional circumstances" as stated in Q4 please provide the department's decision letter?

This information is held by MHCLG. Due to file size restrictions, I am unable to provide this information electronically. Would you please provide a postal address in order that this information can be sent to you? Please note that personal data has been redacted from the decision letters which will be provided. This is normal practice. This information falls within the absolute exception to disclosure at regulation 12(3) of the Environmental Information Regulations (EIR), by virtue of regulation 13, as its disclosure would breach one or more of the data protection principles in Data Protection legislation.

Complaints procedure

If you are unhappy with this response, we will review it and report back to you. (This is called an internal review.) If you want us to do this, let us know by return email within two months of receiving this response. You can also ask by letter addressed to:

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If you are unhappy with the outcome of this internal review, you can ask the independent Information Commissioner to investigate. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at email address xxxxxxxx@xxx.xxx.xx or use their online form at ico.org.uk/concerns or call them on 0303 123 1113.

Yours sincerely

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