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Dear Mr Walker

Re: Freedom of Information

Your email dated Saturday 19 December 2009 has been considered to be a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested:

- 1. The names and ranks/grades of all employees in the organisation who are Common Purpose 'graduates'.
- 2. The total expenditure by your organisation on Common Purpose courses for each of the years 1997 to date together with a copy of the invoice for each Common Purpose course paid for by your organisation.

By common purpose I mean the training organisation of that name: http://www.commonpurpose.org By common purpose graduate I refer to those people who have passed the advanced Common Purpose courses.

The Met Office does not hold this information. We have no record of employing common purpose graduates within the definition set out in the request.

I hope this answers your enquiry.

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Yours sincerely,

FOI Manager