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Dear Carl Heaton,

Thank you for your correspondence of 6 November, in which you made the following request for information:

Please provide all correspondence in any format it exists occurring during 2021 to date which is:

1. between DCMS and UK Safer Internet Centre (including the charities or individuals behind namely Internet Watch Foundation, SWGfL and Childnet, Heidi Jane KEMPSTER, William James GARDNER, Susie HARGREAVES or other officers of).

AND

2. between DCMS and Nominet making any reference to charity including UK Safer Internet Centre (including the charities or individuals behind namely Internet Watch Foundation, SWGfL and Childnet, Heidi Jane KEMPSTER, William James GARDNER, Susie HARGREAVES or other officers of).

Thank you for the update, to save later time / further FOIA request and review can we also expand the relevant persons to include "Paul Fletcher" a former trustee of SWGL and the incoming Nominet CEO please?

We have dealt with your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act). We regret that we are unable to respond to your request because it exceeds the cost limit set out by the Act. Section 12 of the Act makes provision for public authorities to refuse requests for information where the cost of dealing with them would exceed the appropriate limit, which for central government is set at £600. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 3.5 working days in determining whether the department holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting the information.

We consider your request would be over the statutory limit because the information you have requested covers a large time frame with areas of high interest in the department, we



will need to check with a large number of staff members and those members of staff will need to check through a large volume of information.

However, in order that you can submit a request that is not considered a breach of the cost limit, it may be helpful to reduce the timeframe of your request and to request information between specific individuals within certain teams such as senior civil servants in the Security and Online Harms team, and the specified organisations and individuals.

If you would like further information regarding the cost limit and how it is applied please refer to the [Freedom of Information and Data Protection \(Appropriate Limit and Fees\) Regulations 2004](#).

Yours sincerely,

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Complaints and comments

As is customary in our replies, I should explain that if you are dissatisfied with any aspect of our response to your request for information, and/or wish to appeal against information being withheld from you, please send full details within two calendar months of the date of this response to: foi@dcms.gov.uk. You have the right to ask the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) to investigate any aspect of your complaint. Please note that the ICO is likely to expect internal complaints procedures to have been exhausted before beginning an investigation.