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Dear Alan Rundle,

REVIEW OF REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Cabinet Office Internal Review Reference: IR320491 (Original Case Reference: Fol320491)

Thank you for your email of 20 January 2015. You asked for an internal review of our response to your request for information of 4 January 2015. In your request you asked for information on the Bridge Court Tree Preservation Area.

I have carefully reviewed the handling of your request and I consider that Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act was properly applied for the reasons set out it our letter of 20 January. I have therefore concluded that I should uphold the decision given in our letter.

I have interpreted the reference to "officers in Cabinet Office" in your letter to mean "all civil servants working in Cabinet Office and in the Prime Minister's Office". In order to comply with your request the Cabinet Office would therefore have to search the correspondence of all civil servants in Cabinet Office and Prime Ministers Office. I am satisfied that this would exceed the appropriate limit.

In response to your initial request of 4 January 2015, we suggested that you refine your request in order to bring the cost of complying with your request within the limit laid down in the regulations. I note that you have subsequently submitted a separate, narrower FOI request. This request is currently being considered.

If you are unhappy with the handling of your request for information you, have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely

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