DWP Central Freedom of Information Team

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Our Ref: VTR IR469

DATE: 6 October 2014

Dear Mr Harris,

I am writing in response to your review request received on 23 September 2014. An internal review has been carried out by someone of a senior grade to the person who dealt with your original request. I am now in a position to respond to you. In your review request you said:

Please pass this on to the person who conducts Freedom of Information reviews.

I am writing to request an internal review of Department for Work and Pensions's handling of my FOI request 'Community Centre where 95% of the MWA participants wanted to continue'.

By law, you should have responded by 5 August 2014. You then said you would respond by 8/9/14 (without any explanation or apology for the delay). You still haven't responded.

Failure to respond within 7 days of this review request will result in referral to the ICO without further notice.

A full history of my FOI request and all correspondence is available on the Internet at this address: https://www.whatdotheyknow.com/request/community_centre_where_95_of_the

Your request for a review is upheld. DWP should have responded in 20 days to your original request for information and by the 5th August. My apologies that this deadline was not met. This was because we were seeking advice on your query. A reply to your original FOI request was sent on 23rd September.

If you have any queries about this letter please contact me quoting the reference number above.

Your right to complain under the Freedom of Information Act

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office for a decision. Generally the Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF www.ico.gov.uk