



Tim Bush

Date
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Post Office
100 Wood Street
London EC2V 9ER

Your Ref:

Classification:
Public

Dear Tim Bush,

Freedom of Information Request – FOI2023/00609

We are writing in response to your email received by Post Office Limited (“**Post Office**”) on 18 October, which has been dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (“**FOIA**”).

In your email you have requested the information shown in bold below:

“An FOI request number IR2023/00434 was rejected on cost grounds in the initial response to that request, despite a Parliamentary Committee having being told that what I requested already existed as a 'specific piece of work'.

I request information regarding the cost to date of lawyers in dealing with this case, including the cost of any third party lawyers.”

We can confirm that Post Office does not hold the information you have requested.

We have interpreted the term “this case” in your request to mean the internal review request received on 21 July 2023, reference IR2023/00434, and the original FOI request received on 21 June 2023, reference FOI2023/00356.

No costs have been incurred to date by lawyers, including ‘third-party lawyers’, in responding to either your initial Freedom of Information Act request FOI2023/00356 or your Internal Review IR2023/00434.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of this response, you do have a right to request an internal review. You can do this by writing to the address above within 40 working days of receipt of this response stating your reasons for your internal review request or alternatively, by emailing information.rights@postoffice.co.uk.

If, having requested an internal review by Post Office, you are still not satisfied with our response you also have a right of appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

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

Telephone: 0303 123 1113
www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints

Yours sincerely,

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