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18<sup>th</sup> March 2014 Date:

Dear Mr Nickell

## **Freedom of Information Request**

Thank you for your email received by the Council on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2014 where you made a request for information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). I apologise for the delay in responding to you. In your request, you asked for the following information:

- 1. What percentage of your borough's total road kilometres consists of fully, hard segregated cycle routes?
- 2. How many total kilometres of fully, hard segregated cycle routes does this equate to?
- 3. Since the 6th of May 2010, how much money in pounds sterling has been spent from your borough's transport budget on creating further fully, hard segregated cycle routes?
- 4. In relation to the above question, what percentage of your total transport spend within your borough for the named period did this constitute?
- 5. For the period between the 1st of April 2014 and the 31st of March 2015, how much total money in pounds sterling from your borough's transport budget has been or will be allocated to creating further fully, hard segregated cycle routes?
- 6. For the period mentioned in question 5, what percentage of your borough's transport budget does this constitute?
- 7. What percentage of road kilometres under your sole control are 20mph roads?
- 8. Aside from the above mentioned, what other initiatives is your borough undertaking to improve the safety of cyclists on roads under your authority?

I can confirm that the Council holds information falling within the description specified in your request. However, we estimate that the cost of complying with your request would exceed the appropriate limit of £450. The appropriate limit has been specified in



the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit of Fees) Regulations 2004 and for Local Government it is set at £450. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 18 hours in determining whether the Council holds the information and locating, retrieving and extracting the information. It has been estimated that the time spent retrieving and researching this information will significantly exceed 18 hours.

Under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act the Council is not obliged to comply with your request and we will not be processing your request further.

If you were to make a new request for a narrower category of information, it may be that we could comply with that request within the appropriate limit, although I cannot guarantee that this will be the case. Please note that any reformulated request will be treated as a new request for information under the FOIA.

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, you have the right to complain about the Council's response to your request for information. If you wish to pursue such a complaint, please do so within 28 days from the date of this letter and ask for a review of the Council's decision. Please write to: The Information Officer, Learning from Complaints Team, Room 104, Waltham Forest Town Hall, Walthamstow E17 4JF, or email <a href="mailto:information.officer@walthamforest.gov.uk">information.officer@walthamforest.gov.uk</a>. Please mark your request clearly as "Request for Review".

If after receiving a response to the review, you remain dissatisfied with the Council's response, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner. Further information can be obtained via the Information Commissioner's helpline 0303 123 1113 or their website at:

http://www.ico.gov.uk/complaints/freedom of information.aspx

Yours sincerely

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