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A.M Sedgwick

By email: request-701089-eb4324f9@whatdotheyknow.com

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Dear A.M Sedgwick

We refer to your request where you asked:

"I would be most grateful if you would provide me, under the Freedom of Information Act, details in respect of outstanding debt owed to your department.

The details I seek are:

- 1. The total figure (in GBP) of outstanding debt owed to Cabinet Office*
- 2. The recovery rates (%) of outstanding debt per year (2017-current)*
- 3. The total number of outstanding cases of debt owed to Cabinet Office*
- 4. The types / categories of debt owed to Cabinet Office"*

I am writing to advise you that following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the information you requested is held by the Cabinet Office.

- 1) Total debt at 31st October 2020 is £43,429,832
- 2) We have searched our records and Cabinet Office does not hold the information that you have requested. We do not have an established methodology for calculating a figure. We can confirm that to the best of our knowledge the information is not held by another public authority.
- 3) Total items outstanding are 2,187
- 4) We split our debt by public and private sector – this is owed for fees and charges for goods and services, recharges and salary overpayments. Further information

on Cabinet Office income streams is available in the Annual Report and Accounts published on GOV.UK

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request or wish to request an internal review, you should write to:

Eirian Walsh Atkins
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email: foi-team@cabinetoffice.gov.uk

You should note that the Cabinet Office will not normally accept an application for internal review if it is received more than two months after the date that the reply was issued.

If you are not content with the outcome of your internal review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Cabinet Office. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Eirian Walsh Atkins', is written over a light grey circular stamp. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'Eirian' being the most prominent part.

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