

DWP Central Freedom of Information Team

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Our Ref: IR2018/04505

19 December 2018

Dear Mrs Langton,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information (FOI) internal review requests received from 25 September to 10 December 2018. You have queried the late response to the following FOI requests:

Review request number	Received date	Linked FOI request number	Received Date
4505	25/09/2018	2420	26/08/2018
7303	27/10/2018	4876	30/09/2018
10651	20/11/2018	4464	24/09/2018
10658	20/11/2018	4488	24/09/2018
11098	23/11/2018	4727	27/09/2018
11102	23/11/2018	7295	27/10/2018
11113	23/11/2018	7320	28/10/2018
12384	30/11/2018	6401	17/10/2018
13385	8/12/2018	9018	11/11/2018
13461	10/12/2018	9010	10/11/2018
13460	10/12/2018	9022	11/11/2018

DWP Response:

We have looked at the requests you have sent us and we acknowledge that in these instances, the Department has failed to respond within 20 working days. DWP apologises for the delay. In addition, we apologise for not keeping you updated with regard to the progress of your requests.

Your complaints are upheld as the Department has not met its obligations under S.10(1) of the FOI Act. In not providing you with responses we have also failed under Section 17(1) to either confirm or deny that we hold the information you are seeking.

We have responded to your requests on 19 December 2018

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

Yours sincerely,

DWP Central FOI Team

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
https://ico.org.uk/Global/contact_us or telephone 0303 123 1113 or 01625 545745