

DWP Central Freedom of Information Team

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Our Ref: IR139

Date: 5 April 2018

Dear Mr Manville,

Thank you for your Internal Review request received on 5 March 2018. 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:

"I asked for evidence collated however I was instead provided with a list of stakeholders consulted and outcomes. I appreciate that Claimant Commitment reviews might be confidential however I know that several Local Authorities made submissions. I requested copies of those submissions and would be grateful if you would provide them as well and any other stakeholder contributions to these sprints."

DWP Response

In response to your request, I can confirm that the handling of your original request and response has now been appropriately reviewed by someone unconnected with the handling of your original request.

I am satisfied that the original response was handled properly and that the outcome of your request was correct.

DWP staff had conversations where information was discussed at the complex needs evidence sprint following contact with a range of external stakeholders but no written submissions from Local Authorities or other external stakeholders were received/made available to any of the evidence sprint workshops highlighted in the original response.

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

Yours sincerely,

DWP Strategy Fol 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 www.ico.gov.uk