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Our Ref: E0018549

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Mr Andrew Pleming

By email

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Environmental Information Regulations Request – E0018549

Dear Mr Pleming,

Thank you for your email that we received on 2 June 2020, which is set out below:

"Dear Department for Transport,

I amde the request and received the response below.

The report that I referenced was from the BBC, you will be able to Google it. The BBC reported that the DfT was investigating the use of acoustic sensors to improve detection of such noise.

Surrey Police do not collect this data, nor, it seems, do the Home Office request it from them.

Please provide the data held by DfT that has justified investment in acoustic sensors as referenced in the BBC report.

If the BBC is incorrect, please confirm".

Your request falls under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIRs). This is because the information you have sought disclosure of does, in our view, fall within the definition of 'environmental information' as defined in Regulation 2 of the EIRs.

We want to be as open as possible in answering requests, and to help people obtain the information they are looking for.

To assist us in responding to your request can you please provide me with the weblink to the BBC report you refer to in your email, as well as an explanation of what is meant by "the data held by DfT" so that I am able to provide you with a response.

Yours sincerely,

Matt Lacovara

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