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Mr Frederick Wesley
Via WhatDoTheyKnow.com

Date: **21 April 2015**

Dear Mr Wesley

Environmental Information Regulations 2004

Thank you for your request for information which was received on 20 February 2015.

You requested: *Copies of all correspondence (electronic or written) between the Network Planning Casework Unit of the Department for Communities and Local Government and Watford Borough Council between 1 Jan 2015 and 20 Feb 2015 in relation to Farm Terrace Allotments, Watford.*

Your request has been considered under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

I confirm that the National Planning Casework Unit of the Department for Communities and Local Government holds three pieces of correspondence with Watford Borough Council falling between the dates specified. Please see Annex 1 for details of the documentation held. I have attached the main correspondence to this response. Due to the size of the attachments, it will be necessary to send these to you on an encrypted memory stick; please contact me directly with a postal address if you wish to receive these. Please do not provide your postal address through WhatDoTheyKnow.com, as this will then be publicly available.

The names and contact details of private individuals, officials, and officers below Senior Civil Servant (SCS), as well as other biographical information which could lead to an individual being identified, have been withheld under the exception to disclosure at regulation 12(3) of the Environmental Information Regulations (EIRs), by virtue of regulation 13, as disclosure would breach one or more of the data protection principles in the Data Protection Act 1998 (DPA).

The information is the personal data, as defined by the DPA, of another individual. The first data protection principle in that Act states that personal data shall be processed (including any disclosure) fairly and lawfully and, in particular, shall not be disclosed unless at least one of the conditions in Schedule 2 of the DPA is also met. As the affected individuals in this case reasonably could not have an expectation that their personal data would be disclosed, to do so would breach the first data protection principle.

Should you require the attachments, please note that Appendix 08 was not provided to DCLG as part of the requested correspondence; whilst document Appendix - 06 – 07.pdf refers to Appendix 08 not being included due to its commercial sensitivity, this was a note from Watford Borough Council to DCLG, and should not be taken as DCLG withholding this information. Similarly, the content in the email on page 123 of Appendix – C part 1 of 2, and page 39 of Appendix – C part 2 of 2 was redacted prior to DCLG receiving the documents.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review which should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of this letter and should be addressed to:

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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the internal review procedure provided by the Department.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:
The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.
Phone: 0303 123 1113
Website: www.ico.gov.uk

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Annex 1

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Attachments:

Appendix - 01 - 04.pdf
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None

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Attachments:

Appendix Biii. Paddock Road Allotments Extension Feb_2015.pdf
Watford BC application. Update to SoS_Feb_2015x.pdf
XXXXXX Feb 2015. Appendix 8 letter.pdf
XXXXXX Feb 2015. response letter.pdf
Appendix 44. S106 Decision Notice _Jan_15.pdf
Appendix 45. FT survey Jan 2015.pdf