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Mr John Smith

Date: **26 June 2018**

Dear Mr Smith

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 - 3784166**

Thank you for your request for information which was received on 25 May 2018. You requested:

*Could you please advise as to the following information relating to the Review of Building Regulations by Dame Judith Hackitt:*

- 1) The total fees paid to Dame Judith, with and without VAT (if applicable).*
- 2) Whether this was on the basis of a fixed fee or an hourly or daily rate.*
- 3) If this was on the basis of an hourly or daily rate, the rate in question, with and without VAT (if applicable).*
- 4) Whether the total fee paid was as originally negotiated or whether the cost increased during the review.*
- 5) Whether, before appointing Dame Judith, quotations were obtained from other candidates for this work.*

Your request has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I can confirm that information within scope of your request is held by the Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government.

**Q1 – Q4** Dame Judith Hackitt chaired the Independent Review of Building Regulations and Fire Safety on a pro bono basis – she was not remunerated and only received reimbursement for exceptional travel expenses.

**Q5** Several candidates were considered for the Chair of the Independent Review of Building Regulations and Fire Safety. Dame Judith Hackitt was considered best placed for the role given her skills, knowledge and experience. No quotations were obtained from any candidate.

**Complaints procedure**

If you are unhappy with this response, we will review it and report back to you. (This is called an internal review.) If you want us to do this, let us know by return email within two months of receiving this response. You can also ask by letter addressed to:

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Yours sincerely

MHCLG FOI Team