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Our ref: RFI 8682
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Dear Mrs Chipperfield,

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: MS RONA BROWN

Thank you for your request for information, which we received on 18 November 2016 regarding information held on Ms Rona Brown. As you know, we have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

You asked for the following:

- *the official DEFRA appointed title held by Ms Rona Brown.*
- *the official employment status of Ms Rona Brown within DEFRA.*
- *the duties set for the title held by Ms Rona Brown.*
- *the official employment status of Ms Rona Brown within the UK government or associated bodies.*

I can confirm that we have no record of a Ms Rona Brown working at Defra or ever having worked for this Department. The information is therefore not held.

In keeping with the spirit and effect of the FOIA and the government's Transparency Agenda, all information is assumed to be releasable to the public unless exempt. Therefore, the information released to you will now be published on [GOV.UK](http://gov.uk) together with any related information that will provide a key to its wider context. Please note that this will not include your personal data.

I attach an Annex giving contact details should you be unhappy with the service you have received.

If you have any queries about this letter please contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Guy Mawhinney

Information Rights Team
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Annex

Complaints

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request you may make a complaint or appeal against our decision under section 17(7) of the FOIA or under regulation 18 of the EIRs, as applicable, within 40 working days of the date of this letter. Please write to Nick Teall, Head of Information Rights, Area 4C, Nobel House, 17 Smith Square, London, SW1P 3JR (email: InformationRequests@defra.gsi.gov.uk) and he will arrange for an internal review of your case. Details of Defra's complaints procedure are on our website.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, section 50 of the FOIA and regulation 18 of the EIRs gives you the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Please note that generally the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have first exhausted Defra's own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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