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Ref: F0008828

Dear Mr Chamberlain,

### **Freedom of Information Request – F0008828**

Thank you for your information request of 18 April 2012 about the Community Infrastructure Fund (CIF) awarded to the Royal Borough of Greenwich for refurbishment of the Greenwich and Woolwich foot tunnels. You requested the following information:

**1. Details of the winning bid , including:**

- a) full costings**
- b) the design specifications**
- c) the rationale behind the bid**
- c) the timetable**
- d) how the work would be managed**

**2. Details of any conditions placed upon Greenwich Council as part of its successful bid.**

**3. The extent to which DfT supervised project delivery of the winning bids once work had started.**

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

I am writing to confirm that the Department has now completed its search for the information.

To provide a brief background, funding from CIF was awarded in 2008. The purpose of the fund was to support the delivery of small to medium scale transport schemes which would help unlock housing growth where there was no prospect of meeting the additional transport pressures in the short term.

The DfT worked closely with Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) to determine which schemes should be prioritised to receive a share of the £100m allocated to CIF. The Department for Transport (DfT) also assessed value for money of each of the transport proposals.

Awards for CIF funding were issued by DCLG. In addition, DCLG led on the administration, financial monitoring and management, and overall programme delivery of CIF projects. However this was subsequently transferred to the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA). The DfT is therefore not able to provide all the information you have requested.

The information provided with this letter covers the following in relation to your request - items 1, A, B, C, and D (in part):

- Greenwich & Woolwich foot tunnels CIF2 final bid
- Appendix A - Greenwich & Woolwich foot tunnels CIF2 final bid
- Appendix B - Greenwich & Woolwich feasibility report
- Assessment of bid email
- Assessment of bid
- Response to further questions
- Assessment proforma
- A copy of the funding letter

The names of junior officials, that is staff below the Senior Civil Service, and their direct contacts details have been withheld in reliance on the personal information exemption at section 40(2) & (3) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the full text of the exemption is attached at Annex A). These individuals are not in public facing roles and therefore have an expectation that their names and contacts details will not be put into the public domain. It would be unfair for us to disclose them and would contravene the first data protection principle of fairness.

Regarding your request under items 1D, 2, and 3, we do not hold this information but you may be able to obtain it by contacting:

Mr Tim Faulkner  
Land & Regeneration  
Homes and Communities Agency  
Maple House  
149 Tottenham Court Road  
London  
W1T 7BN  
Email: [tim.faulkner@hca.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:tim.faulkner@hca.gsi.gov.uk).

In keeping with the spirit and effect of the Freedom of Information Act, all information is assumed to be releasable to the public unless exempt. A copy of this response and the information provided may now be published on our website together with any related information that will provide a key to its wider context.

If you are unhappy with the way the Department has handled your request or with the decisions made in relation to your request you may complain within two calendar months of the date of this letter by writing to the Department's Information Rights Unit at:

Zone D/01  
Ashdown House  
Sedlescombe Road North  
Hastings  
East Sussex TN37 7GA  
E-mail: FOI-Advice-Team-DFT@dft.gsi.gov.uk

Please see attached details of DfT's complaints procedure and your right to complain to the Information Commissioner.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely,

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## **Your right to complain to DfT and the Information Commissioner**

You have the right to complain within two calendar months of the date of this letter about the way in which your request for information was handled and/or about the decision not to disclose all or part of the information requested. In addition a complaint can be made that DfT has not complied with its FOI publication scheme.

Your complaint will be acknowledged and you will be advised of a target date by which to expect a response. Initially your complaint will be re-considered by the official who dealt with your request for information. If, after careful consideration, that official decides that his/her decision was correct, your complaint will automatically be referred to a senior independent official who will conduct a further review. You will be advised of the outcome of your complaint and if a decision is taken to disclose information originally withheld this will be done as soon as possible.

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. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

## **Annex A**

### **40 Personal information.**

(1) Any information to which a request for information relates is exempt information if it constitutes personal data of which the applicant is the data subject.

(2) Any information to which a request for information relates is also exempt information if—

(a) it constitutes personal data which do not fall within subsection (1), and

(b) either the first or the second condition below is satisfied.

(3) The first condition is—

(a) in a case where the information falls within any of paragraphs (a) to (d) of the definition of “data” in section 1(1) of the Data Protection Act 1998, that the disclosure of the information to a member of the public otherwise than under this Act would contravene—

(i) any of the data protection principles, or

(ii) section 10 of that Act (right to prevent processing likely to cause damage or distress), and

(b) in any other case, that the disclosure of the information to a member of the public otherwise than under this Act would contravene any of the data protection principles if the exemptions in section 33A(1) of the Data Protection Act 1998 (which relate to manual data held by public authorities) were disregarded.

(4) The second condition is that by virtue of any provision of Part IV of the Data Protection Act 1998 the information is exempt from section 7(1)(c) of that Act (data subject’s right of access to personal data).

(5) The duty to confirm or deny—

(a) does not arise in relation to information which is (or if it were held by the public authority would be) exempt information by virtue of subsection (1), and

(b) does not arise in relation to other information if or to the extent that either—

(i) the giving to a member of the public of the confirmation or denial that would have to be given to comply with section 1(1)(a) would (apart from this Act) contravene any of the data protection principles or section 10 of the Data Protection Act 1998 or would do so if the exemptions in section 33A(1) of that Act were disregarded, or

(ii) by virtue of any provision of Part IV of the Data Protection Act 1998 the information is exempt from section 7(1)(a) of that Act (data subject’s right to be informed whether personal data being processed).

(6) In determining for the purposes of this section whether anything done before 24th October 2007 would contravene any of the data protection principles, the exemptions in Part III of Schedule 8 to the Data Protection Act 1998 shall be disregarded.

(7) In this section—

“the data protection principles” means the principles set out in Part I of Schedule 1 to the Data Protection Act 1998, as read subject to Part II of that Schedule and section 27(1) of that Act;

“data subject” has the same meaning as in section 1(1) of that Act;

“personal data” has the same meaning as in section 1(1) of that Act.