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Dear Taherali Gulamhussein

Freedom of Information Act 2000 F0012991

Thank you for your request for information under the Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) 2004 dated 3 November in which you requested the following:

“Guidance on bus lane enforcement in England outside London which is currently in force [including clarification as to when it came into force], and such guidance that is due to come into force.

For your information I have located archived Provisional Guidance here which may or may not continue to apply:

http://aka.dft.gov.uk/pgr/regional/buses/gen/coll_provisionalguidanceonbuslan/isionalguidanceonbuslane3570.pdf

Please also confirm, when, if at all this provisional guidance was/is in force”.

Your request has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (“the FOI Act”) as the information you have requested is not environmental and as such does not fall within the Environmental Information Regulations.

I can confirm that the Provisional guidance on bus lane (including tramway) enforcement in England outside London is the current guidance to English local authorities outside London. It was introduced in November 2005 and revised in February 2008. The Department has no plans at present to revise it.

In keeping with the spirit and effect of the FOI 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 DfT 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 DfT’s FOI Advice Team at:

Zone D/04
Ashdown House
Sedlescombe Road North
Hastings
East Sussex TN37 7GA
E-mail: FOI-Advice-Team-DFT@dft.gsi.gov.uk

Please send or copy any follow-up correspondence relating to this request to the FOI Advice Team to help ensure that it receives prompt attention. Please also remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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

Yours sincerely

Mary Maxwell

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Your right to complain to the 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
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