

Mike Haville

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Dear Mike Haville,

FOI-22-4625 – Clarification of request

I refer to your request received by HS2 Ltd on 20 April 2022, in which you sought access to information under the Environmental Information Regulations ('EIR') 2004 ('the Regulations').

Please note that under regulation 12(4)(c), if a request is not sufficiently clear to enable the authority to locate or identify the requested information, then there is duty for that public body, to provide advice and assistance to the requestor in seeking further clarification.

We are writing to gather more information from you, so that we can comply with your request:

"How many miles of haul roads on :-

a) one side of track centreline

b) both sides of track centre line

have been compulsory purchased rather than taken as a temporary possession."

Unfortunately, it is not specific enough for us to be able to identify and locate the information relevant to your request.

Can you clarify what geographical area your request encompasses? That is:

- The entire route from London to Manchester (Phases One, 2a, 2b West)?
- A single Phase (for example Phase One, London to Crewe)?
- Or a specific location or locations?

Or is there some other interpretation that would best describe what you are asking for?

To enable us to proceed with your request I would be grateful if you could resubmit your request clarifying the area you in order to enable us to try to locate the information that you require.

Your response

It is necessary for me to also inform you that once a public authority has refused a request under 12(4)(c), and provided reasonable advice and assistance, it does not need to take any further action unless it gets a response back from the requester.

However, if you decide to provide us with clarification your request will be treated as a new request, and you will receive a response within the statutory timescale of 20 working days, as defined by regulation, subject to the application of any statutory exceptions.

Yours sincerely

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