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Dear Mr Rukin

Freedom of Information Request – F0019695

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 21 April 2021. You asked for the following information:

Given that Compulsory Purchase powers for Phase One of the scheme are due to run out on 23rd February 2023, please can you tell me how many:

- 1) Parcels of land (not including subsoil in tunnelling locations) have been identified as being permanently required by phase one of the scheme in total.
- 2) Parcels of land (not including subsoil in tunnelling locations) have been identified as being temporarily required by phase one of the scheme in total.
- 3) Parcels of land (not including subsoil in tunnelling locations) have been identified as being permanently required by phase one of the scheme in total.
- 3) Parcels of land (not including subsoil in tunnelling locations) required for the construction of phase one where purchase has been completed.
- 4) Parcels of land (not including subsoil in tunnelling locations) on the route of phase one which HS2 Ltd has taken temporary possession of.
- 5) Parcels of land (not including subsoil in tunnelling locations) on phase one which HS2 Ltd has taken temporary possession of, but will be required on a permanent basis.
- 6) Plots subsoil in tunnelling locations which have been identified as being permanently required by phase one of the scheme.
- 7) Plots subsoil in tunnelling locations to be used for phase one purposes where purchase has been completed.

We are writing to advise you that, having reviewed your request for information and carried out a thorough search of our records, the Department does not hold the information that you have asked for.

This information might be held by HS2 Ltd, the company responsible for delivering the HS2 railway. As the company is regarded as a separate public authority under the FOI Act, you may wish to submit a direct request to HS2 Ltd. Their FOI Team can be contacted at: HS2enguiries@hs2.org.uk.

Appeals procedure

If you remain dissatisfied with the way we have responded to or handled your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. These should be submitted within two calendar months of the date of this letter and addressed to the FOI Advice Team at FOI-Advice-Team-DFT@dft.gov.uk.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you ask for an internal review and are still not content with the outcome, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted via their online form: https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/official-information-concern/

Yours sincerely

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