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Dear Mr Farr

Information request

Reference number: FOI2018/01256

Thank you for your email of 20th September 2018, in which you requested the following information:

'I am interested to know about communication Tandridge District Council has had with Network rail in particular relating to Godstone Station and line upgrades. Detail of dates of communication as well please'

I have processed your request under the terms of the Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) 2004 as the information requested is environmental according to the definition in regulation 2(c) of the EIR. Please note section 39 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) exempts environmental information from the FOIA, but requires us to consider it under the EIR).

In response to your request, please see the attached documents 'Email 17.01.2018_redacted', 'Email 21.08.2018_redacted', 'Email 17.09.2018_redacted' and 'Agenda 23rd January' for your attention.

I have withheld the name, phone number and email address of members of staff from these documents, under Regulation 13(1) of the EIR. This exemption allows us to withhold information in circumstances where its disclosure would breach the data protection principles set out at s.35 of the Data Protection Act 2018 and Article 5 of the General Data Protection Regulations.

In this instance, disclosure would breach the first principle that mandates that data must be processed fairly and lawfully. Here the members of staff's name, phone

number and email address would clearly make them identifiable. As the individuals are not senior members of staff and/ or are third party members of the public, they would have no reasonable expectation that their personal details would be publicly disclosed through the FOIA, I am satisfied that to do so would be an unfair processing of their personal information.

I hope the information provided is useful to you. If you have any enquiries about this response, please contact me in the first instance at <u>FOI@networkrail.co.uk</u> or on 01908 782405. Details of your appeal rights are below.

Please remember to quote the reference number at the top of this letter in all future communications.

Yours sincerely

Claire Duncan Information Officer

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