

Department for Work and Pensions (DWP)
Central Freedom of Information Team

freedom-of-information-request@dwp.gsi.gov.uk

Our reference: VTR3421

Date: 31 August 2017

Dear G Harrison

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on 17 August 2017. You asked:

- 1. Please would you now confirm that this is an accurate statement and that it was indeed a DWP policy decision*
- 2. Please provide a copy of this policy or confirm that it does not exist*
- 3. Please provide copies of any internal documents that relate to the DWP's internal and external discussions around the formulation of this policy including details of stakeholders involved or consulted, internal and external, and the relevant dates. I am specifically looking for documentation that supports the decision point for the DWP to from the policy for the CMS to use company car rates and not personal car rates.*
- 4. Please provide a copy of your own expenses policy as it relates to claims for mileage/petrol costs by your own DWP employees*

Our Response:

We uphold the response previously provided to you in your Internal Review, reference IR242. On this occasion we have nothing further to add.

Under Section 14(2) of the Freedom of Information Act a public authority is not obliged to comply with a subsequent identical or substantially similar request from the same person. We have previously responded to this question in your Internal Review, reference IR271, on this occasion we have nothing further to add.

Please find attached with this response, at Annex A, a copy of the DWP Travel and Expenses policy relating to travelling via vehicle.

If you have any queries about this letter please contact me quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely,

Your right to complain under the Freedom of Information Act

If you are not happy with this response you may request an internal review by e-mailing freedom-of-information-request@dwpgsi.gov.uk or by writing to: DWP, Central Fol Team, Caxton House, Tothill Street, SW1H 9NA. Any review request should be submitted within two months of the date of this letter.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office for a decision. Generally the Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF
www.ico.org.uk/Global/contact_us or telephone 0303 123 1113 or 01625 545745