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Dear Mr Ogden,

Your application under the Freedom of Information Act for information on Public Health/ Welfare Funerals

I am writing in response to your Freedom of Information Act request received on the 20 May 2010.

- 1. The total number of public health funerals (where the deceased has no relatives or there is no one else willing to pay) that your Trust has undertaken for the financial years between 2007 and 2010
- 2. The number of public health funerals that your Trust has undertaken by gender for the past 3 financial years
- 3. The number of public health funerals that your authority has undertaken by age for the past 3 financial years
- 4. Since April 2009, how many cases have there been where family and friends refuse to finance or make arrangements for their relatives funeral?
- 5. How much have the burials/cremations cost the trust broken down by year for the last three financial years?
- 6. How much does your trust typically (average cost) pay for a Public Health Funeral?
- 7. What does your Trust provide at a Public Health Funeral?
- 8. What relationship do you have with your local council(s) regarding funerals of this nature?

We do not arrange funerals and we do not hold information regarding public health/ welfare funerals.

I hope that this will be satisfactory.

The Trust provides a complaints procedure for the Freedom of Information Act and if you are not satisfied with the response, you should write to the Chief Executive. Furthermore, you have a right to complain to the Information Commissioner for a determination under Section 50 on whether the Act has been complied with. The Information Commissioner's details are: Information Commissioners Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

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