

Our ref:CRS-101020 Your ref:

Graeme Bickerdike

Sent via Email

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Dear Mr Bickerdike

Freedom of Information Request – Queensbury Tunnel Funding and Correspondence

I am writing to confirm that we have now completed our search for the information, which you requested on 27th March 2020.

I can confirm that we do not hold any information relating to internal correspondence or correspondence with AMCO-Giffen and Jacobs during the period covered by your request.

I have provided below the additional information that you requested.

Your Request - Could you please tell me the value of funding allocated to future works in/at Queensbury Tunnel?

Our Response - £3,500,000

Your Request - Could you please tell me whether this funding has yet been released?

Our Response - The above sum is allocated within our budget for the financial year 2020/21. No specific works instructions have yet been issued for the financial year 2020/21.

Your Request - Could you please tell me the expected start date for the next phase of works in the tunnel?

Our Response - During the week commencing 27th April 2020

Your Request - Could you please tell me the nature of those works?



Our Response - The identified works include remobilisation, ongoing minor repairs to previously installed partial strengthening and the application of sprayed concrete onto the previously installed RamArch at shafts 8, 6 and 4.

If you are unhappy with the way we have handled your request you may ask for an internal review within 2 months of the date of this response for Freedom of Information requests and within 40 days for Environmental Information Regulations requests. Our internal review process is available at:

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/highways-england/about/complaints-procedure

If you require a print copy, please phone the Information Line on 0300 123 5000; or e-mail info@highwaysengland.co.uk. You should contact me if you wish to complain.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote reference number 101020 in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

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