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Mr Hartley

By email: request-178683-05f207af@whatdotheyknow.com

24 October 2013

Dear Mr Hartley,

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – RFI20131402

Thank you for your request under the Freedom of Information Act ('the Act') of 26/09/2013, seeking:

1. Please provide copies of all correspondence and emails between the BBC and the RSPB concerning possible TV signal interference regarding their proposal (August 2013) to site a wind turbine at The Lodge, near Sandy Heath transmitter.

2. Please provide copies of all correspondence and emails between the BBC and Ecotricity concerning possible TV signal interference regarding the RSPB proposal (August 2013) to site a wind turbine at The Lodge, near Sandy Heath transmitter.

We have searched our records and have taken all reasonable steps to locate any correspondence answering to the description you have given, but have not been able to do so with regard to both the RSPB and Ecotricity. Therefore, we are able to determine the BBC does not hold the information you have requested.

In the interest of openness and transparency, the BBC would advise the following to individuals or organisations approaching it for advice on this matter:

'The BBC is not in a position to determine, or advise on, the impact on television or radio reception which any new structure may have. However, it would ask that the developer undertakes a suitable survey, by a professional body, to identify the potential impact of the new building on the reception of television and radio services by the general public.

The BBC would then ask that an obligation is placed on the developer, under Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, to fund, in full, the rectification of any adverse effects on

the ability of viewers and listeners to receive radio and television services, which have been caused by the erection of the new building.'

Appeal Rights

If you are not satisfied that we have complied with the Act in responding to your request, you have the right to an internal review by a BBC senior manager or legal adviser. Please contact us at the address above, explaining what you would like us to review and including your reference number. If you are not satisfied with the internal review, you can appeal to the Information Commissioner. The contact details are: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF, telephone 01625 545 700 or see www.ico.org.uk

Yours sincerely,

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