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Committee on Standards in Public Life

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Dear Mr Wu,

Thank you for your email of 30 March in which you requested the following information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

- Q1. Whether or not we outsource our IT
- Q2. How much we paid in the last financial year for software licenses
- Q3. How many computers users we have
- Q4. When we need to renew the contract with Microsoft for software licenses and the value of our last contract
- Q5. Whether we currently measure software usage versus the number of licenses purchased and if so what we use for software usage metering
- Q6. Whether or not we use a software asset management tool
- Q7. Details of IT Contracts Managers and any person(s) involved in IT Software procurement.

In terms of facilities, including all of the equipment and services you listed in your request, the Committee on Standards in Public Life is a small, independent public body whose support services are from a larger organisation, in our case the Cabinet Office with which we share accommodation. The facilities we share are a matter for the Cabinet Office: we do not hold independently information which allows us to fulfil your original request. We understand you have already submitted this request to the Cabinet Office whose FOI team, we have been informed, intends to respond in due course.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to our Secretary, Ruth Thompson, whom you can contact using the email address below:

ruth.thompson@public-standards.gov.uk

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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

Yours faithfully,

James Anderson

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