

DWP Central Freedom of Information Team

e-mail: freedom-of-information-request@dwp.gov.uk

Our Ref: FOI2019/18274

Date: 22 May 2019

Dear Shaun Moore,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on 14 May 2019. You asked:

"Please may you provide an extract or the estimated number of residents in West Sussex that are in receipt of the Personal Independence Payment and have scored 10 points in the Planning a journey category."

DWP Response

I can confirm that we do hold information falling within the description specified in your request. However, we estimate that the cost of complying with your request would exceed the appropriate limit for central Government, set by regulations at £600. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 3½ working days in determining whether the Department holds the information, and locating, retrieving and extracting it.

Under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act the Department is not therefore obliged to comply with your request and we will not be processing it further.

Under section 16 of the Act we are required to assist you in narrowing your request so that it may fall beneath the cost limit.

We suggest that you ask for how many people in West Sussex County Council area received the descriptor criteria outlined in the question in their first assessment (before Mandatory Reconsideration, Appeal, Award Review or Change of Circumstance). Please can you also specify the time period you are interested in for example, April 2013 to the latest available data or the last year of available data. Note that the latest data goes to the end of January 2019.

We will consider afresh any revised request however we cannot guarantee that any revised request will fall within the cost limit.

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

Yours sincerely,

Policy Group FOI Team

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@dwg.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
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