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Date 1 September 2017
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Department for
Resources and Regulation

David Fowler
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By Email

For the attention of
Ms E Thomas

Dear Ms Thomas

Request for Information - Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

I write further to your e-mail of the 14th August 2017 where you made the following request for information. The Council's response to your request is as follows:

Could you please provide the following information:

1. *How many registered sex offenders currently (10.08.17) hold a taxi drivers' licence issued by Bury Borough Council?*

0

2. *Please provide the protocol/practices followed by Bury Borough Council for registered sex offenders who apply for a taxi drivers' licence.*

*If an applicant was found to have an offence on their Disclosure and Barring Check, their application would have to appear before the Licensing and Safety Panel for consideration in line with the Council's Conviction Guidelines. The conviction guidelines state "**Sexual and Indecency Offences** Any individual currently on the sex offenders' register would not normally be granted a licence."*

3. *From April 2016 - March 2017 how many taxi licenses have been issued to registered sex offenders by Bury Borough Council?*

0

4. *How many are currently registered with Bury Borough Council as sex offender status?*

0

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:

FOIA Reviewing Officer
Bury Council
Knowsley Street
Bury, BL9 0SW

Should you further disagree with the decision following the appeal you may wish to contact the Information Commissioner's Office:

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3 Knowsley Place, Duke Street, Bury, BL9 0EJ
www.bury.gov.uk

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

www.ico.org.uk

Tel: 0303 123 1113 or 01625 545 745

For transparency purposes, it is now the Council's policy to advise on the costs of dealing with each Freedom of Information request. Please note that to deal with this request it has cost the Council £25.00.

Should you have any queries regarding this, please contact me on the number above.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D Fowler', followed by a small dot.

D Fowler
Assistant Director [Localities]