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Dear Edward Williams,

Thank you for your request for information, which was received on 27/03/2019.  
You requested:

*I would like all data held which mentions the No Outsiders programme.*

I have dealt with your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act).

The Department holds the information you have requested. However, the Department estimates that the cost of complying with your request would exceed the cost threshold applicable to central Government. This is £600 and represents the estimated cost of one person spending 3½ working days locating, retrieving and extracting the information.

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

However, if you were to make a new request for a narrower category of information or limit the scope of your request, the Department may be able to comply with your request within the cost limit, although I cannot guarantee that this will be the case.

It may help if I outline some possible ways of narrowing your request. You may want to be more specific in the type of information you are requesting- you could limit your request to information about specific schools, and within a given time-period for example.

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

If you are unhappy with the way your request has been handled, you should make a complaint to the Department by writing to me within two calendar months of the date of this letter. Your complaint will be considered by an independent review panel, which were not involved in the original consideration of your request.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint to the Department, you may then contact the Information Commissioner's Office.

Yours sincerely,

Catherine Smith  
Communications Officer  
Office of the Regional Schools Commissioner for the West Midlands