

DWP Central Freedom of Information Team

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Our Ref: Fol 3044

DATE: 14<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Dear Mr Slater,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on 19 July 2017. You asked for:

*RFI1 - Please confirm if these constitute all of the activity streams for UC? If there are more than these 3 activity streams please disclose what they are called and their scope?*

*RFI2 – Who sits on the UC Programme Board and how frequently does it meet?*

*RFI3 – Please disclose the “pack of information” provided to the UC programme board members for the 3 most recent UC programme board meetings. If available also include any presentations made to the board or documents handed to the board “on the day”.*

## **DWP Response**

As mentioned on 16<sup>th</sup> August, we do hold information falling within the terms of your request for the UC Programme Board; however we still need more time to consider your request.

We wish to advise you that the following exemption applies to the information that you have requested:

Section 36 (2) (b) and (c) of the Freedom of Information Act, Prejudice to Effective Conduct of Public Affairs.

By virtue of section 10(3), where public authorities have to consider the balance of the public interest in relation to a request, they do not have to comply with the request until such a time as is reasonable in the circumstances.

The Department has not yet reached a decision on the balance of the public interest. Due to the need to consider, in all the circumstances of the case, where the balance of the public interest lies in relation to the information that you have requested, the Department will not be able to respond to your request in full within 20 working days.

We hope to let you have a response by 12<sup>th</sup> October 2017.

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

Yours sincerely,

DWP Strategy Fol Team

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**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@dwpgsi.gov.uk](mailto:freedom-of-information-request@dwpgsi.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 [www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk)