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Request for information

Request received 27 June 2024:

"How many times has the Commissioner used his personal email or personal mobile when sending messages for work use in the last 12 months?

The total travel expenses of the Commissioner in the last 12 months, broken down by type of transport?"

Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the FOIA). This legislation provides public access to recorded information held by a public authority unless an appropriate exemption applies.

Our response

We do hold some information in scope of your request.

We do not hold any information regarding the Information Commissioner using personal email or mobile devices to send messages for work purposes in the last twelve months. There have been no instances where this has occurred.

We do hold information regarding the travel expenses allocated to the Information Commissioner incurred for work purposes over the past twelve months, by type of transport. These are as follows:

Rail expenses	£4,253.15
Flight expenses	£6,224.28
Taxi expenses	£426.38
Transport for London (TfL)	£321.45
Total	£11,225.26



These figures reflect payments made for travel in the past twelve months; the journeys themselves may not have occurred in the past twelve months. These figures reflect payments allocated to the Information Commissioner and so may not include journeys allocated to another ICO employee shared by the Commissioner e.g. a shared taxi journey.

Further information

You may be interested to note that we publish a summary of expenditure in our Annual reports, and further information about our Income and expenditure on the ICO website.

This concludes our response to your request.

Next steps

You can ask us to review our response. Please let us know in writing within 40 working days if you want us to carry out a review.

You can read a copy of our full review procedure on our website.

If we perform a review but you remain dissatisfied, you can raise a complaint to the ICO as regulator of the Freedom of Information Act. This complaint will be handled just like a complaint made to the ICO about any other public authority.

Your information

Our privacy notice explains what we do with the personal data you provide to us, and sets out your rights. Our Retention and Disposal Policy details how long we keep information.

Yours sincerely

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