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Request

You asked us: "How much does your hard working organisation cost the taxpayer each financial year?"

We received your request on 17 June 2024.

We have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the FOIA).

Our response

Having searched our records, we can confirm that we hold information in the scope of your request.

The ICO advises how it is funded on our <u>website</u> and this includes a grant-in-aid from our sponsoring government department. The amount we have received each year varies and are specified in our <u>annual reports</u>. These amounts are not listed on the same page number in each document so are most easily located by: opening the webpage, pressing the 'Ctrl and F' keys at the same time, which opens up the search bar, and then searching the term 'grant-in-aid' or 'grant in aid'.

Where the ICO has also received other government funding, this information can be found in our <u>monthly management accounts</u>. Again, this information is not on the same page number so is most easily located by using the same search method as above and searching the term 'other government funding'.

Because the information is already reasonably accessible to you, technically it is withheld under section 21 of the FOIA. Section 21 states that we don't need to provide you with a copy of information when you already have access to it.

Next steps

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

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



If we perform a review but you are still dissatisfied, you can complain to the ICO as regulator of the FOIA. This complaint will be handled just like a complaint made to the ICO about any other public authority.

You can <u>raise a complaint</u> through our website.

Your information

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

Yours sincerely



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