Reference: IC-335016-Z7G8



Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Decision notice

Date: 24 October 2024

Public Authority: Health and Safety Executive

Address: Knowledge Centre

1G Redgrave Court

Merton Road

Bootle L20 7HS

Request:

The complainant requested the following information from Health and Safety Executive on 31 July 2024:

- `1. Copies of all minutes from all relevant meetings by the Senior Leadership Teams (SLT) of the HSE/Building Safety Regulator (BSR) relating to the proposal, authorisation, establishment and recruitment of the posts of Senior Field Intelligence Officer and Field Intelligence Officer within the Intelligence and Investigations Unit (IIU) of the BSR (also known as the Building Safety Division).
- 2. Copies of all minutes from all relevant meetings relating to the advertising and recruiting of the above posts, including how these posts were to be funded, where the advert used on Civil Service Jobs was obtained from (i.e who wrote it) and what, if any, specialist advice was sought regarding the establishment of these posts.
- 3. Copies of any record of any decision relating to the above plus any associated actions, including which department was responsible for carrying out those actions and what the outcome was.

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4. A copy of the Joint Employment Grading System (JEGS) paperwork which was carried out for these posts prior to them being recruited.

The dates to be searched regarding these requests are the 1st January 2023 to the 31st July 2024.'

Commissioner's Decision:

A public authority will breach section 10 of FOIA if it fails to respond to a request within 20 working days. Based on evidence available to the Commissioner, by the date of this notice the public authority has not issued a substantive response to this request. Therefore the Commissioner finds a breach of section 10.

Steps:

The public authority must provide a substantive response to the request in accordance with its obligations under FOIA.

The public authority must take this step within 30 calendar days of the date of this decision notice. Failure to comply may result in the Commissioner making written certification of this fact to the High Court pursuant to section 54 of FOIA and may be dealt with as a contempt of court.

Right of Appeal:

Either party has the right to appeal against this decision notice to the Firsttier Tribunal (Information Rights). Information about the appeals process may be obtained from:

First-tier Tribunal (Information Rights) GRC & GRP Tribunals, PO Box 9300, LEICESTER, LE1 8DJ

Tel: 0203 936 8963 Fax: 0870 739 5836

Email: grc@justice.gov.uk

Website: www.justice.gov.uk/tribunals/general-regulatory-chamber

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Any Notice of Appeal should be served on the Tribunal within 28 (calendar) days of the date on which this decision notice is sent.

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