

From: Despatch Box <dclg@icasework.fcos.gsi.gov.uk>
Date: 22 September 2016 at 11:01
Subject: Information request (ref: 2556007)
To: owen.boswarva@gmail.com

Dear Mr Boswarva

Thank you for your email. We can grant permission under the terms of the OGL.

Tim Hayward

From: Owen Boswarva <owen.boswarva@gmail.com>
Date: 13 September 2016 at 17:24
Subject: Re: Information request (ref: 2556007)
To: Despatch Box <dclg@icasework.fcos.gsi.gov.uk>

Dear Mr Hayward,

Thank you for your email and many thanks to DCLG for granting permission for re-use of the 2014 based household projections under the terms of the Open Government Licence.

My re-use request also referred to the 2012 based projections. May I have clarification: is the Department granting or refusing permission to re-use those under the terms of the Open Government Licence?

Best regards,

Owen Boswarva

From: Despatch Box <dclg@icasework.fcos.gsi.gov.uk>
Date: 13 September 2016 at 15:48
Subject: Information request (ref: 2556007)
To: owen.boswarva@gmail.com

Our reference: 2556007 Information request

Dear Mr Boswarva

Thank you for your request for information. Please see my response attached.

Yours sincerely

Tim Hayward

foirequests@communities.gsi.gov.uk

NOTE: Please do not edit the subject line when replying to this email.

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Mr Owen Boswarva



Date: **13 September 2016**

Dear Mr Boswarva

Freedom of Information Act 2000 - 2556007

Thank you for your request for information which was received on 12 July 2016.
Please accept my apologies for the delay in responding to you.

You requested: *I refer to the attached letter of 10 February 2016 (your ref 1824162) in which you said as follows:*

"I note, however, that the Office for National Statistics has confirmed that the underlying population estimates are re-usable under Open Government Licence (OGL). We will therefore consider whether OGL is appropriate for the next release of Household Projections expected later this year."

*I see that the 2014 Household Projections detailed data was released today and that, like the 2012 release that was the subject of my information request in January, the 2014 data is not re-usable under an open licence:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistical-data-sets/2014-based-household-projections-detailed-data-for-modelling-and-analytical-purposes>*

Please provide a copy of any correspondence or other information now held by DCLG that relates to DCLG's decision not to release the Household Projections data under the Open Government Licence.

Additionally I would like to formally request, in accordance with regulation 6 of the Re-use of Public Sector Information Regulations 2015, permission to re-use the 2012 and 2014 Households Projections detailed data for the purpose of combining this information with data from existing open public datasets and making the outputs available to others in a re-usable electronic form under an open licence. I therefore request that you grant permission to re-use the information for this purpose under the terms of the Open Government Licence v3 (<http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/doc/open-government-licence/version/3/>). Given my intended use, any more restrictive licensing terms would be likely to "unnecessarily restrict" the way in which the information can be re-used contrary to RoPSIR regulation 12.

This request has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I am writing to advise you that the information you requested is not held by the Department. There was no correspondence regarding the release of the most recent household projections under Open Government Licence, and no decision was taken to change or retain the current licencing status of the data prior to publication.

However, this has now been reviewed, and DCLG is able to grant permission for use of the household projections under the terms of the Open Government Licence. You therefore have permission to re-use the 2014 based projections under the terms of the Open Government Licence. The published data will shortly be updated to reflect this decision.

Complaints procedure

If you are unhappy with this response, we will review it and report back to you. (This is called an internal review.) If you want us to do this, let us know by return email within two months of receiving this response. You can also ask by letter addressed to:

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If you are unhappy with the outcome of this internal review, you can ask the independent Information Commissioner to investigate. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at email address casework@ico.org.uk or use their online form at ico.org.uk/concerns or call them on 0303 123 1113.

Yours sincerely

Tim Hayward

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From: Owen Boswarva <owen.boswarva@gmail.com>
Date: 12 July 2016 at 20:08
Subject: FOI and RoPSIR requests: Household Projections detailed data
To: dclgkia@icasework.fcos.gsi.gov.uk
Cc: housing.statistics@communities.gsi.gov.uk

Hello,

I refer to the attached letter of 10 February 2016 (your ref 1824162) in which you said as follows:

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Thank you for your attention to these requests.

Best regards,

Owen Boswarva

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Mr Owen Boswarva
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Date: **10 February 2016**

Dear Mr Boswarva

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Ref: 1824162

Thank you for your request for information which was received on 15 January 2016.

You requested: *'Please provide the content of any correspondence or documentation you hold that explains or provides a rationale for the licensing restrictions on re-use of the following statistical dataset: 2012-based household projections: detailed data for modelling and analytical purposes*

<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistical-data-sets/2012-based-household-projections-detailed-data-for-modelling-and-analytical-purposes>.

In particular please provide any information you hold that sets out any reason why this dataset is not or should not be available for re-use under the Open Government Licence.'

And the current documentation includes:

'The data are Crown Copyright. They may be reproduced freely within your organisation, but they must not be used for commercial use.'

This request has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am writing to advise you that the information you requested is not held by the Department for Communities and Local Government.

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Yours sincerely

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