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Dear Mr Baswarva

Ref: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

I refer to your request where you asked:

A copy of all responses to the Code of Practice (Datasets) consultation; 50 comments from 17 users on the Data.gov.uk website, and that a further 23 responses were submitted by e-mail to the Transparency Team.

I am writing to advise you that following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the information you requested is held by the Cabinet Office.

I have pasted the comments that were left on the data.gov.uk website into a word document.

The e-mail responses have also been disclosed to you but I have removed personal data from respondents such as names, e-mails and telephone numbers in accordance with the exemption at Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act (2000) which exempts personal information from disclosure if that information relates to someone other than the applicant, and if disclosure of that information would, amongst other things, contravene one of the data protection principles in schedule 1 of the Data Protection Act. In this case, I believe disclosure would contravene the first data protection principle, which provides that personal data must be processed fairly and lawfully. Section 40(2) is an absolute exemption and the Cabinet Office is not obliged to consider whether the public interest favours disclosing the information.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact the FOI team. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request or wish to request an internal review, you should write to:

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You should note that the Cabinet Office will not normally accept an application for internal review if it is received more than two months after the date that the reply was issued.

If you are not content with the outcome of your internal review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by Cabinet Office. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. P. Smith', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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