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By email to [REDACTED]
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Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information request

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), which was received by the Human Tissue Authority (HTA) on 19 October 2018. Your email outlined the following request:

I write to ask for information under the freedom of information act.

1. For each of the last 10 financial years, and the current financial year to 18.10.18 please state:

- the number of legal disputes between your department and other central government departments and non-departmental government bodies.

For each, please provide

-A list of the court cases related to the dispute, with current status (resolved or ongoing)

-Total time period of the dispute from bringing of proceedings until conclusion.

-Total cost in legal fees and related administration costs to your department

2. For each of the last 10 financial years, and the current financial year to 18.10.18 please supply the number of legal disputes between yours department and a UK local council (including district, county, borough, unitary, parish).

For each, please provide

-A list of the court cases related to the dispute with current status (resolved or ongoing)

-Total time period of the dispute from bringing of proceedings until conclusion.

-Total cost in legal fees and related administration costs to your department.

3. For each of the last 10 financial years, and the current financial year to 18.10.18 please state the number of legal disputes between your department and a regional mayoral department.

For each, please provide

-A list of the court cases related to the dispute, with current status (resolved or ongoing)

-Total time period of the dispute from bringing of proceedings until conclusion.

-Total cost in legal fees and related administration costs to your department

Response

Below are our responses to your questions provided above.

*1. For each of the 10 financial years to 18/10/2018 we have had **nil** legal disputes with central government departments, non-departmental government bodies. The second part of your request is therefore not applicable.*

*2. For each of the 10 financial years to 18/10/2018 we have had **nil** legal disputes with a UK local council (including district, county, borough, unitary, parish) The second part of your request is therefore not applicable.*

*3. For each of the 10 financial years to 18/10/2018 we have had **nil** legal disputes with any regional mayoral department. The second part of your request is therefore not applicable.*

Further information

If you are unhappy with the way the HTA has handled your request for information in this case, you may in the first instance ask us for an internal review by writing to us at the above postal or email address.

If you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you have the right to appeal directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision, at the address below. There is no charge for making an appeal.

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

Telephone: 08456 30 60 60 or 01625 54 57 45

Website: www.ico.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

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