Dear XX XXXXXX

Freedom of Information Request F0009835

Thank you for your information request of 19 February, in which you asked the following:

“Please can you confirm which councils have been given authorisation to use suspended bay signage, along with what signage has been approved”.

Your request has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("the FOI Act") and we have now completed a search of our records.

I attach list of the signs for parking suspensions which have been authorised in England up to the date of your request. You will also see that the list includes 3 other authorisations which have been completed since that date, which I have included for completeness. I also attach copies of the authorisations (including sign drawings, where held, up to 1 January 2011).

Under Section 21 of the FOI Act (the full text of which is attached), we are not required to provide information which is already reasonably accessible to you. Since 1 January 2011 the Department for Transport (DfT) has published on its website all traffic signs authorisations granted to local authorities in England. All the authorisations for parking suspensions issued since that date may be viewed online on the DfT's website at:


In accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998, all personal signatures have been redacted.
In keeping with the spirit and effect of the FOI Act, all information is assumed to be releasable to the public unless exempt. A copy of this response and the information provided may now be published on our website together with any related information that will provide a key to its wider context.

If you are unhappy with the way the DfT has handled your request or with the decisions made in relation to your request you may complain within two calendar months of the date of this letter by writing to the DfT’s Information Rights and Records Unit at:

    Zone D/01
    Ashdown House
    Sedlescombe Road North
    Hastings
    East Sussex TN37 7GA
    E-mail: FOI-Advice-Team-DFT@dft.gsi.gov.uk

Please see attached details of DfT’s complaints procedure and your right to complain to the Information Commissioner.

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

Yours sincerely

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TRAFFIC DIVISION
Your right to complain to the DfT and the Information Commissioner

You have the right to complain within two calendar months of the date of this letter about the way in which your request for information was handled and/or about the decision not to disclose all or part of the information requested. In addition a complaint can be made that DfT has not complied with its FOI publication scheme.

Your complaint will be acknowledged and you will be advised of a target date by which to expect a response. Initially your complaint will be re-considered by the official who dealt with your request for information. If, after careful consideration, that official decides that his/her decision was correct, your complaint will automatically be referred to a senior independent official who will conduct a further review. You will be advised of the outcome of your complaint and if a decision is taken to disclose information originally withheld this will be done as soon as possible.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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