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{By Email}

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Dear [REDACTED]

## PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information on bird deaths at Victoria Park which we received on 10 Aug 2018. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI).

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

'Could you please supply me with the preliminary, supplementary and final reports concerning recent bird deaths at Victoria Park Smethwick boating lake, West Midlands- approximate nat grid reference SP025879.

I understand that at least one bird was brought into one of your laboratories, but I would be grateful if you could confirm the total and what species you have received. If the final reports have yet to be written, could you please advise me of this.'

[Please find attached titled Appendix 1 and 2 the preliminary and final report on a single Mallard sent to our Shrewsbury Laboratory on the 19 July 2018. Some of the data within the documents has been withheld under Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act \(FOIA\), for details see below:](#)

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Yours sincerely

**ACCESS TO INFORMATION TEAM**

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