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Our ref: RFI 6331  
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Dear ,

**REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: Secretary of State Appointments to the Broads Authority**

Thank you for your request for information about Secretary of State Appointments to the Broads Authority, which we received on 13 February. As you know we have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Please see the table below for the information you requested:

Year	Total Number of applications received	Total number of Toll payers/candidates with navigational experience	Total 2 <sup>nd</sup> sift candidates (Total 2 <sup>nd</sup> sift candidates with navigational experience/Toll payers)	Toll payers/candidates appointed by Secretary of State as <i>national</i> member(s)
2006	11	2	6 (1)	0
2007	31	4	16 (3)	0
2008	13	3	8 (2)	0
2009	Unable to locate information	Unable to locate information	4 (1)	0
2010	40	8	17 (8)	1
2011	No appointments	No appointments	No appointments	No appointments
2012	9	3	9 (3)	0
2013	9	6	9 (6)	0



<b>2014</b>	No appointments	No appointments	No appointments	No appointments
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The table does not include information for 2004 and 2005. We have not been able to locate Secretary of State Appointments to the National Park Authorities and the Broads Authority records for those two years. Please note that it is not expressly stated in any of our records that an applicant or candidate is a toll payer. We have taken navigational experience to mean a stated interest in sailing or boating. There are also instances where our records are silent on whether an applicant is a Toll payer or has other navigational experience.

In keeping with the spirit and effect of the FOIA, and in keeping with the government's Transparency Agenda, all information is assumed to be releasable to the public unless exempt. Therefore, the information released to you will now be published on [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk) together with any related information that will provide a key to its wider context. Please note that this will not include your personal data.

I attach Annex A, which explains the copyright that applies to the information being released to you.

I also attach Annex B giving contact details should you be unhappy with the service you have received.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me.

Yours faithfully,

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## Annex A

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