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Dear [REDACTED]

## PROVISION OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information, which we received on 25 January 2018. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

The information you requested and our response is detailed below:

1. "Does your organisation have a Facebook Page(s)? If yes, what is/are the url(s) and when were they set up?"

Yes. The Animal and Plant Health Agencies Facebook page can be found through the link below. This gives the URL and when the agency joined the social media platform.

<https://www.facebook.com/APHAGov/>

As this information is reasonably accessible to you by other means, it is exempt from disclosure under section 21 FOIA.

2. Does your organisation advertise or spend any money on Facebook? If yes, please can you outline what expenditure has occurred and break down expenditure per calendar year (January to December) since 2004?

APHA's posts on Facebook can be viewed via the link above. We do not spend any money on this social media platform.

3. Does your organisation have a Twitter Account? If yes, what is/are the url(s) and when were they set up?

Yes. The Animal and Plant Health Agencies Facebook page can be found through the link below. This gives the URL and when the agency joined the social media platform.

[https://twitter.com/APHAgovuk?ref\\_src=twsrc%5Egoogle%7Ctwcamp%5Eserp%7Ctwgr%5Eauthor](https://twitter.com/APHAgovuk?ref_src=twsrc%5Egoogle%7Ctwcamp%5Eserp%7Ctwgr%5Eauthor)

As this information is reasonably accessible to you by other means, it is exempt from disclosure under section 21 FOIA.

4. Does your organisation advertise or spend any money on Twitter? If yes, please can you outline what expenditure has occurred and break down expenditure per calendar year (January to December) since 2006?

APHA's posts on Twitter can be viewed via the link above. We do not spend any money on this social media platform.

5. Does your organisation use Google G-Suite services (Google services) or does your organisation rely on google for any services (such as email hosting)? If yes, what are the services, when were they agreed and how much did they cost?

Yes. APHA Corporate Communications do have a Gmail account and there is no cost for the use of this.

6. Does your organisation advertise or spend any money on Google? If yes, please can you outline what expenditure has occurred and break down expenditure per calendar year (January to December) since the payments first began?"

No.

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I attach an Annex which explains the copyright that applies to the information being released to you and contact details should you be unhappy with the service you have received.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact the Access to Information Team at the email address below or postal address at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

**ACCESS TO INFORMATION TEAM**

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