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Dear xxxxxxxx,

Bexhill Hastings Link Road EIR Request
ICO Reference: FER0464382
DfT Reference: F0008778

I refer to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) decision notice dated 26 March 2013. This was issued in response to your complaint dated 19 June 2012 about the handling of your original request for information dated 2 April 2012.

The Commissioner's decision is that most of the material that was redacted by the Department was incorrectly withheld as the public interest favoured disclosure of the information. However, the Commissioner also concluded that the public interest did favour not disclosing some information that he specified in a confidential annex to his decision notice.

Having carefully considered the Commissioner's decision, and in light of the fact that Ministers have granted the scheme full funding approval, we have decided to disclose the information in full. For the avoidance of doubt, this means we are also disclosing the information specified in the confidential annex to the Commissioner's decision notice.

A copy of the information is enclosed.

In keeping with the spirit and effect of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004, all information is assumed to be releasable to the public unless exempt. The Department will, therefore, be simultaneously releasing to the public the information you requested, together with any related information that will provide a key to its wider context.

In practice, this means we will be publishing the attached documents on our website as replacements for the redacted versions that we published in May 2012.

A copy of this letter is being sent to the Information Commissioner's Office.

Yours sincerely

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