
From: NAVY SEC-2 FOI 1A (XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX)
Sent: 21 July 2014 13:04
To: NAVY SEC-3RD SECTOR TL (XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX); NAVY SEC-1 POLSEC1 (XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX)
Subject: FW: Request for information

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Navy Command is leading with the FOI request below which is within the Third Sector Heritage remit:

My requests are:

1. Has the Secretary of State for Defence given consent for the Maritime Heritage Foundation to disturb, remove from the seabed, sell, charge, lease, give, or otherwise dispose of anything transferred by the deed of transfer of 12 January 2012?
2. Has the Advisory Group submitted any advisory reports relating to the issues listed above? If so, could I please be provided with copies of the reports?
3. Could I please be provided with a copy of the Project Design referred to in the minutes of the first meeting of the Advisory Group?
4. Could I please be provided with a copy of the Project Design submitted in June 2012 referred to in the HoL debate of 28 Nov 2012?
5. Could I please be provided with any other similar Project Designs that have been submitted?
6. Could I please be provided with the minutes of the meetings of the Advisory Group that have not appeared on-line (01 Feb 2012 and 15 Feb 2012 are on-line), including the meeting of May 2012 referred to in the HoL debate of 28 Nov 2012?

I have spoken with Giles who I understand is currently working up a submission to minister which impacts upon the response we give to this request.

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Grateful for your advice.

Regards

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From: XXX
Sent: 19 July 2014 17:57
To: CIO-FOI (MULTIUSER)
Subject: Request for information

Dear Ministry of Defence,

By the Deed of Transfer dated 12 January 2012, the Secretary of State for Defence transferred to the Maritime Heritage Foundation the remains of HMS VICTORY, lost in 1744 and discovered in the English Channel in 2008 [<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/hms-victory-1744-advisory-group>].

Under the Deed of Transfer the Secretary of State for Defence must give consent for the Maritime Heritage Foundation to disturb, remove from the seabed, sell, charge, lease, give, or otherwise dispose of anything transferred by the deed of transfer of 12 January 2012.

The HMS VICTORY (1744) Advisory Group was established by the Deed of Transfer. It has a duty to give advice to the Secretary of State for Defence advice in the form of reports by the Advisory Group's chairman, in respect of:

1. the acceptability of any actions proposed by the Maritime Heritage Foundation in respect of anything transferred to the Foundation under the Deed of Transfer,
2. any proposals by the Foundation which may have an impact on the site, and
3. the extent to which any actions proposed by the Maritime Heritage Foundation are consistent with the archaeological principles set out in Annex A to the UNESCO Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage.

In the minutes of the first meeting of the Advisory Group (01 Feb 2012) [<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/hms-victory-1744-advisory-group-minutes>] it states that a Project Design was submitted by the Maritime Heritage Foundation.

In a debate in the House of Lords on 28 Nov 2012 [<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/ld201213/ldhansrd/text/121128-gc0001.htm>] it was stated that the Advisory Group met in May 2012 and that they requested another Project Design from the Maritime Heritage Foundation, which was submitted in June 2012.

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I can be contacted by email at XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX or by post at:

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Yours faithfully,

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