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Ref: LPC/FOI/2014.12 By Email only

Dear Iwan,

I am responding to your request dated 5 January 2015 under the Freedom of Information Act (FoI), in which you requested information concerning;

The Civil Service Salary bands of each member of the Low Pay Commission; our annual expenses and remuneration.

The full time Civil Service salary bands of Low Pay Commission staff are:

£56,832 - £67,714 £47,545 - £55,882 £35,069 - £40,917 £29,219 - £33,027

Details of Senior Civil Service pay scales are publically available on <u>GOV.UK</u> website.

I am afraid we are unable to specify and name which members of staff belong to which salary band as this information is being withheld under Section 40 (personal information) of the FoI Act.

<u>Section 40</u> provides an absolute exemption for personal data which then falls to be dealt with under the Data Protection Act. Personal data of third parties can only be disclosed in accordance with the data protection principles. In particular, the first data protection principle requires that disclosure must be fair and lawful and must comply with one of the conditions in Schedule 2 of the Data Protection Act.

Our annual expenses and remuneration are published on <u>our website</u>. Updated expenses and remuneration will be published in the new financial year (April 2015).

If you have any queries about this reply, please contact me quoting the reference number above.

Appeals procedure

If you are unhappy with the result of your request for information, you may request an internal review within two calendar months of the date of this letter. If you wish to request an internal review please contact me.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely

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