

Our ref: 758,045 Your ref:

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Dear

Thank you for your Freedom of Information (FOI) request dated 02 January 2018 asking for the earnings of toll roads in the UK.

In your email you asked for the following information:

- I am working on an FOI story regarding the earnings of toll roads in the UK, and I was wondering if a definitive record of every toll road in the country is kept, as I do not seem to be able to find one.
- Also, does anyone at Highways England have access to the earnings of each toll road? Many of the companies running the tolls are privately owned, and will not reply to an FOI request.

A definitive record of every toll road or crossing in the UK is not held by Highways England.

We are responsible for operating, maintaining and improving England's strategic road network which comprises approximately 4,300 miles of motorways and all-purpose trunk roads: <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/roads-managed-by-highways-england</u>

Other public roads in England are managed by local authorities. Roads in Scotland are managed by Transport Scotland <u>http://www.transportscotland.gov.uk</u>/ and in Wales by the Welsh Government: <u>http://gov.wales/?skip=1&lang=en</u>

The information that you require may be held by the Department for Transport. The following link will take you to their website, which gives a list of toll roads and crossings in the UK: <u>https://www.gov.uk/uk-toll-roads</u>.

If you require further information, you may wish to contact them at <u>https://forms.dft.gov.uk/foi-dft-and-dft-agencies/</u>

Annual reports and financial statements are published, via the Department for Transport website, for the following toll crossings that exist on our network:



- M25/A282 Dartford Thurrock River Crossing: <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dartford-thurrock-river-crossing-charging-scheme-account-2015-to-2016</u>
- Second Severn Crossings: <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/severn-river-</u> crossing-plc-financial-statements-for-the-year-ended-31-december-2016

We do not hold annual reports and financial statements for the M6 Toll.

If you are unhappy with the way we have handled your request you may ask for an internal review. Our internal review process is available at: https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/highways-england/about/complaints-procedure

If you require a print copy, please phone the Information Line on 0300 123 5000; or email <u>info@highwaysengland.co.uk</u>. You should contact me if you wish to complain.

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

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote reference number 758,045 in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

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