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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST M40 OXFORD TO BIRMINGHAM - OTMOOR

Thank you for your email of 8 March requesting access to 2 inspector's reports from 2 enquiries about the route of the M40 from Oxford to Birmingham, specifically on the section which was proposed to go across Otmoor.

I am writing to advise you that, following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that information from public enquiries is no longer held by Highways England as it has been destroyed in accordance with records management practice.

However, information may be available via The Motorway Archive – The online encyclopaedia of UK motorway heritage.

The Archive has information about the M40 by section. Information about the M40 Waterstock (J8A) to Wendlebury (J9) section can be found at - <http://mat.pixl8-hosting.co.uk/en/motorways/motorway-listing/m40/m40-waterstock-j8a-to-umberslade-m42--j3a/archive-information.cfm>. Otmoor lies between these junctions. This website advises that a full archive is held at Surrey History Centre. It also advises that deposits are also available at the Oxfordshire History Centre. There are various clickable links in each section. I hope this proves useful in your search.

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 info@highwaysengland.co.uk. 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
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If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote reference number 760,572 in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

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