

Our ref: 765,023

The Cube
199 Wharfside Street
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22 August 2018

Dear

Japanese Knotweed Locations

Thank you for your request of 06 August 2018, relating to Japanese Knotweed locations throughout England. I have dealt with your request under the terms of the Environmental Information Regulations.

This is because the information requested concerns measures and activities affecting or likely to affect elements of the environment or affect factors such as noise, pollution discharges and other releases into the environment.

In your request you asked for the following information:

- *Are there areas of land owned or controlled by Highways England which have Japanese Knotweed growing upon it throughout England?*
- *Please could you identify the locations of any such areas of land subject to the growth of Japanese Knotweed throughout England?*

We can confirm that there are sections of land owned and controlled by Highways England which have Japanese Knotweed growing upon it throughout England. These locations are being managed and are subject to the requirements of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.

The information you requested relating to locations of Japanese Knotweed is reasonably accessible to you via <https://www.plantracker.org.uk/map/knotweed>

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote reference number 765,023 in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the way we have handled your request you may ask for an internal review within 2 months of the date of this response for Freedom of Information requests and within 40 days for Environmental Information Regulations requests.

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 e-mail 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
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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Yours sincerely

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