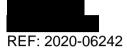


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Dear

Thank you for your email of 28 May 2020 requesting the following information:

1. Please confirm the UKHO recruitment procedure by which was appointed?

- 2. If there was a contractor interview process please confirm:
 - a. How many applicants were there?
 - b. Who was on the interview panel?
 - c. Whether any of the interview panel completed a "declaration of interest"?
- 3. If David Healey was brought in as a "nominated worker", please confirm:
 - a. Who nominated him?
 - b. Was a "declaration of interest", if required, completed by the person named in 3(a)?

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

A search for the information has now been completed within the UKHO, and I can confirm that the information in scope of your request is held.

The information you have requested can be found below, at annex A but some of the information falls entirely within the scope of the absolute exemptions provided for at section 40 (Personal Data) of the FOIA and has been withheld.

Section 40(2) has been applied to some of the information in order to protect personal information as governed by the Data Protection Act and General Data Protection Regulation 2018. Section 40 is an absolute exemption and there is therefore no requirement to consider the public interest in making a decision to withhold the information.

If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, Ground Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail <u>CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk</u>). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate your case until the MOD internal

review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website, <u>http://www.ico.org.uk.</u>

Yours sincerely,

UKHO Secretariat

- 1. Please confirm the UKHO recruitment procedure by which was appointed? The request for a contractor was placed via the non-medical/clinical framework.
- 2. If there was a contractor interview process please confirm:
 - a. How many applicants were there? 15
 - b. Who was on the interview panel? Names withheld in accordance with Section 40(2) - Data Protection.
 - c. Whether any of the interview panel completed a "declaration of interest"? *No, not relevant.*
- 3. If David Healey was brought in as a "nominated worker", please confirm:
 - a. Who nominated him?
 - b. Was a "declaration of interest", if required, completed by the person named in 3(a)? N/A