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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 26th September 2025 containing your request for information. The Government Legal Department ("GLD") have considered your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("the Act", "FOIA")

Request

This a request for information about judicial review cases brought as Aarhus Convention cases, for the period covering the five financial years 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24 and 2024-25.

Please provide:

- A list of the transport projects currently experiencing delays due to judicial review cases brought as Aarhus convention cases.
- An estimate of the cost incurred to the department relating to compliance with the Aarhus Convention and a breakdown of the estimate for each of the last five years.

If any clarification is required please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Response

GLD does not hold the information you have requested and are applying Regulation 12(4)(a) EIR 'information is not held'.

In accordance with Regulation 9 EIR and providing advice and assistance, you may wish to consider browsing information found on the Planning Inspectorate's website Planning Inspectorate - GOV.UK as well as their page on Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects (NSIP's) Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects: Advice on Transboundary Impacts and Process - GOV.UK.

Your Rights

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask GLD for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted to GLD within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original correspondence. Please use the contact details provided at the top of this letter in order to request an internal review relating to your original request.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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:

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Yours sincerely,

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