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16 December 2020

Dear [REDACTED],

**Freedom of Information request: FOI2020/00398**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on the 18 November in which you requested the following:

**Your request:**

*I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information regarding your organisation.*

*Could you please provide up to date Names, Job Titles, telephone numbers and email addresses for the following;*

*Chief Executive  
Deputy Chief Executive  
Ministers and Ministerial team (if applicable)  
Chair  
Chief Information Officer  
Chief Digital Officer  
Senior Information Risk Owner  
Director of IT / ICT / IM&T / Digital / Information / Technology  
Director / Head of Finance  
Chief / Deputy Chief Operating Officer  
Head of Cyber Security  
Head / Director of People  
Heads of change / Transformation / Improvement  
Department Directors / Heads  
Board members (if applicable)*

*Or the equivalent job titles in your organisation.*

*In addition if you have an up to date 2020 senior staff organisation or structure chart could you please forward a copy to me in either Excel or pdf format.*

**Our response:**

I can confirm UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) hold some of the information relevant to your request. Please see the information below/attached.

Under Section 21 - Information already reasonably accessible, of the FOIA the following information you have requested is already available in the public domain:

- Information about the structure of UKRI is available at <https://www.ukri.org/about-us/our-structure/>
- Details of UKRI's executive committee, including Chief Executive, Chief Finance Officer, Chief Operating Officer, Executive Directors of Strategy, Communications, Analysis and Governance, each Council's Executive Chair, Chief People Officer and Director of External Relations, Communications and Public Engagement can be found at <https://www.ukri.org/about-us/our-structure/executive-committee/>

- Details of UKRI's board members, including the Chair of UKRI, is available at <https://www.ukri.org/about-us/our-structure/ukri-board/>
- Contact details for UKRI, including telephone number and email address can be found at <https://www.ukri.org/about-us/contact-us/general-enquiries/>

Section 21 is an absolute exemption which means that there is no requirement to conduct a public interest test.

We are exempting the names and job titles of staff members whose details are not already in the public domain where there is a similar role to those specified, as well as the personal contact details of all individuals under section 40(2) of the FOIA. Disclosing this information would contravene the first Data Protection Principle as defined under Section 86 of the Data Protection Act 2018 and Article 5 of EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) 2016.

Section 40(2) is an absolute exemption and does not require a public interest test.

The information you have requested relating to an up to date 2020 senior staff organisation or structure chart is exempt from disclosure under Section 22(1) of the FOIA as it is intended for future publication. Section 22 is a qualified exemption meaning that it is subject to the public interest test.

UKRI understand that being transparent in regard to its organisational structure is in the public interest. However, the latest version of the data is still incomplete, and we are of the view that releasing the information as it currently stands would be inaccurate and misleading and thus not in the public interest.

We have therefore determined that the outcome of this test is that the public interest is insufficient to justify immediate disclosure. The most up to date version of this information is available [here](#)<sup>1</sup>. It is the intention of UKRI to publish an update to this data, correct as of 30 September 2020, before March 2021.

If you have any queries regarding our response or you are unhappy with the outcome of your request and wish to seek an internal review of the decision, please contact:

Head of Information Governance

Email: [foi@ukri.org](mailto:foi@ukri.org) or [infogovernance@ukri.org](mailto:infogovernance@ukri.org)

Please quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are still not content with the outcome of the internal review, you may apply to refer the matter to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the review procedure provided by UKRI. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: <http://www.ico.gov.uk/>

If you wish to raise a complaint regarding the service you have received or the conduct of any UKRI staff in relation to your request, please see UKRI's complaints policy: <https://www.ukri.org/about-us/policies-and-standards/complaints-policy/>

Yours sincerely,

  
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Information Rights Team  
UK Research and Innovation  
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<sup>1</sup> <https://data.gov.uk/dataset/7b1573ca-7e0e-4578-babc-90250ec45732/uk-research-and-innovation-organograms-and-senior-salaries>