



[REDACTED]

6 August 2021

Dear [REDACTED],

**Freedom of Information request: FOI2021/00343**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on the 27 July in which you requested the following:

**Your request:**

*Please could you provide the following information in regards to the recent Creative industries fund: fast start business growth pilot:*

- *the total number of applications*
- *the number of assessed applications (not disregarded due to being deemed out of scope etc)*
- *the number of applications funded*
- *the number of applications funded per 'innovation area'*
- *the average funding amount per project*
- *the smallest and largest amount of funding per project*
- *the average score of all applications*
- *the average score of successful applications*
- *the success threshold*
- *decision-making process based on portfolio (ie, why higher scoring projects might not get funded and lower scoring project get funded).*

**Our response:**

I can confirm UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) do not hold the information relevant to your request. Please see the information below.

The competition "Creative industries fund: fast start business growth pilot" is still in the assessment stages and therefore final competition information is not yet available.

As per the information published in the '[Dates' section of the competition brief](#)<sup>1</sup> it is expected that decisions will be made and applicants notified of the results on 9 August 2021. If you still wish to receive this information, please resubmit your request after this date.

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  
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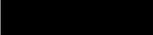
Please quote the reference number above in any future communications.

<sup>1</sup> <https://apply-for-innovation-funding.service.gov.uk/competition/919/overview#dates>  
UK Research and Innovation, Polaris House, North Star Avenue, Swindon SN2 1FL

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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