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Freedom of Information request: FOI2026/00635

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

Your request:

** A copy of all documentation, including but not limited to, bid application, spending, receipts, emails, expense claims, connected to the UKRI funding of the Nuclear Justice Project at the University of Liverpool*

By way of explanation, I understand this project was funded to the tune of about £40,000 via AHRC and Research England's Policy Fund, in a grant awarded at the back end of 2025.

The project was run by the Centre for People's Justice at the University of Liverpool, administered by Prof Helen Stalford and Dr Jon Hogg.

For the avoidance of doubt, I am looking for a release of all documentation UKRI or its agencies holds about the project, and any provisos, rules or requirements under which the money was released.

Our response

I can confirm that UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) hold information relevant to your request.

The information identified within scope of your request held by the Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC) is provided in the attached document: **FOI2026_00635 Annex 1**.

Some information has been withheld from Annex 1 as it is not within the scope of your request.

Section 40(2) – Personal Information

Some information has been withheld under Section 40(2) of the FOIA. This information consists of personal data, including employee names, job titles and personal meeting notes.

Disclosure of this information would contravene the first data protection principle pursuant to Article 5(1)(a) of the UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR) and section 86 of the Data Protection Act 2018. Accordingly, the information is exempt from disclosure under Section 40(2) of the FOIA.

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

Section 21 – Information Reasonably Accessible by Other Means

As noted in your request, the Nuclear Justice Project was delivered by the Centre for People's Justice at the University of Liverpool. The University of Liverpool received £1,000,000 in Policy Support Funding from Research England for the academic year 2025 to 2026. Further information is available on [the Research England grant allocations to Higher Education Providers](#) webpage.¹

The Policy Support Fund is a formula-based allocation provided to eligible Higher Education Providers (HEPs) and it is intended to be used flexibly by institutions in line with their own priorities. Consequently, Research England does not hold any project-level documentation relating to the specific use of this funding by individual institutions.

Under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), information is exempt from disclosure where it is already reasonably accessible to the applicant. The information relating to the University of Liverpool's Policy Support Funding allocation is publicly available via the webpage referenced above.

Section 21 is an absolute exemption and does not require a public interest test.

Your rights

If you have any queries regarding our response, please do let us know. If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review, explaining which elements of this decision you disagree with and why. Internal review requests should be submitted within 40 working days of the date of our response and should be addressed to:

Head of Information Governance

Email: foi@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: www.ico.org.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 procedure](#).²

Yours sincerely,


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¹ [Research England grant allocations to HEPs 2025 to 2026 – UKRI](#)

² <https://www.ukri.org/who-we-are/contact-us/make-a-complaint/#skipnav-target>