



[REDACTED]

3 March 2023

Dear [REDACTED],

Freedom of Information request: FOI2023/00059

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on the 9 February, and clarification received on 15 February, in which you requested the following:

Your request:

Confirm[ation] that [REDACTED] filed design info (under [REDACTED] or jointly) in 2019 in relation to smoke sealing on a fire curtain.

Proof that the design was in the public domain or had been circulated in 2019 under the name of [REDACTED].

2019 emails from [REDACTED] and or [REDACTED] relating to the design for smoke sealing on a fire curtain.

Clarification following initial searches:

Can you find communication with Innovate from [REDACTED] relating the design for smoke sealing on a fire curtain from 2019?

Our response:

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

Innovate UK has checked applications, assessor responses, and project monitoring reports from 2019 for references to [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] relating to designs for smoke sealing on a fire curtain, or [REDACTED]. No applications or projects were identified.

Innovate UK also have no records of funded projects involving [REDACTED] or the named individuals as main contacts. We have also been unable to identify any projects funded by Innovate UK where the public description or project summary text mention either "smoke sealing" or "fire curtain".

When contacting you for clarification, we asked that you provide any application or project reference numbers, or confirmation of the project title and/or participant organisations, as well as any email domains or full email addresses you might expect correspondences to have been sent from or to. As you were unable to provide such details, we were unable to focus our search for related information any further.

When conducting searches for emails sent between Innovate UK and [REDACTED], all UKRI email tenancies were searched, including Innovate UK and the other [UKRI Councils](https://www.ukri.org/councils/)¹, from 1 January 2019 until 31 December 2020 and returned no results. Therefore, UKRI can confirm that no communication is held with this email address during this time period.

¹ <https://www.ukri.org/councils/>

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

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 policy: <https://www.ukri.org/about-us/policies-and-standards/complaints-policy/>

Yours sincerely,


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