

## Response to Request for Information

**Reference**      FOI 001530  
**Date**            25 September 2017

### *Employees with the job title 'Policy Officer' or 'Research Officer'*

#### **Request:**

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide me with information on the following: ·

The name of employees with the job title 'Policy Officer' or 'Research Officer'.

#### Response

I can confirm that the department holds information that you have asked for, but in this instance, we will not be providing it to you as it is exempt from disclosure.

We are not obliged, under section 40(2) of the Act, to provide information that is the personal information of another person if releasing would contravene any of the provisions in the Data Protection Act 1998 (DPA). In this instance we believe that the release of this information would contravene the first data protection principle, and therefore section 40 (2) is engaged.

The terms of this exemption in the Freedom of Information Act mean that we do not have to consider if it would be in the public interest for you to have the information.

You can find out more about Section 40(2) by reading the extract from the Act and some guidance points we consider when applying the exemption on the Information Commissioner's website:

<https://ico.org.uk>