

Ref: FOI2022-003

31<sup>st</sup> January 2022

Dear

Thank you for your email of 20<sup>th</sup> January 2022 requesting the following information:

Please include the information for each of the following periods; 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21:

- $\cdot$  The total number of cases of losses in each year.
- $\cdot$  The total cost of losses in each year.
- $\cdot$  An itemisation of each loss including what it was for and how much it cost.
- $\cdot$  The total number of special payments in each year.
- $\cdot$  The total value of special payments in each year.
- · An itemisation of each special payment including what it was for and how much it cost.

Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act).

We can advise that whilst AWE may hold some information in scope of the subjects you have requested, we will not be able to answer your request without exceeding the appropriate limit set out at Section 12 of the Act.

Section 12 of the Act makes provision for public authorities to refuse requests for information where the cost of dealing with these would exceed the appropriate limit, which for public authorities is set at £450. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 2.25 working days in determining whether the department holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting it.

Unfortunately due to the format that the data is currently held in, it is unlikely that you would be able to refine your request so it is more likely to fall under the cost limit.

Please note that if you break your request down into several smaller requests, we may still consider that your requests fall under the cost limit in their entirety.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications. If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

If you are unhappy with the way your request has been handled you have a right to request an internal review within 40 days of receiving this letter, by writing to information.requests@awe.co.uk or our postal address: Information Requests Team, AWE Aldermaston, Reading, RG7 4PR. If you are still unhappy after an internal review has been completed, under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 you have the right to take your complaint to the Information Commissioner's Office. Please note the





Commissioner will generally not consider a complaint until you have exhausted AWE's internal complaints process.

Yours sincerely,

**AWE Information Requests Team** 

