

Ref: FOI2023-039

19th October 2023

Dear

Thank you for your email regarding your request for the following information:

Under the freedom of information act, please could you furnish me with dates and initials of all contractors who have stayed at my property, Four Acres, Four Acre Farm, Reading Road, Aldermaston, Berkshire, RG7 4PP, from 2007 to date.

I fully understand the sensitivity of this request, and would be very grateful for the details to remain secret, initials/ ie: PS (Peter Smith for example) 2016 - 2019 would suffice.

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

We have considered your request and have decided that the information you have requested is exempt from disclosure under section 40(2) of the FOI Act. The Atomic Weapons Establishment (AWE) are obliged to comply with the Data Protection Act 2018 and UK GDPR and as such are prohibited from disclosing personal data to third parties where doing so would breach the data protection principles set out in the UK GDPR. Section 40(2) is an absolute exemption and as such does not require a Public Interest Test to be carried out.

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

