

Corporate Management
Our ref: MGLA270715-1002

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Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information request

Thank you for your email of 27th July 2015 in which you requested the release of information under the Freedom of Information Act. We would firstly like to apologise for the delay in providing our response and hope it has not inconvenienced you unduly.

Our response to your request is as follows:

All correspondence (email and letters) between Munira Mirza, and/or her office, and the following organisations from January 2014 to today.

- Policy Exchange
- Google
- GEMS Education
- Rohan Silva and/or representatives of Tech City UK

We have conducted searches with Munira and her office and have obtained the attached information which is in scope of this FOI request.

We have made some minor redactions to withhold names of junior staff, the contact details of various individuals, and to also remove information which is not relevant or within scope of your request. These redactions have been under section 40(2) of the Act which states:

- (2) *Any information to which a request for information relates is also exempt information if-*
- (a) *it constitutes personal data which do not fall within subsection (1), and*
 - (b) *either the first or second condition below is satisfied.*

The section 40 exemption is absolute and is not subject to the public interest test. In this instance, the relevant condition that applies is section 40(2) whereby the information is defined as personal data within Section 1(1)(a) of the Data Protection Act 1998. As we

have not received consent of the data subjects, release of the requested information at this time would contravene the first data principle under Schedule 2(1) of the Data Protection Act, in that it would constitute unfair processing of their data.

No information within scope of your request was found relating to Rohan Silva and/or representatives of Tech City UK.

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, ensuring that you quote the reference at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

Meena Shah

Information Governance Officer

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