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Dear Ms Langley,

Cabinet Office Freedom of Information Clearing House Internal Review

On 28 April, the Lord True CBE, wrote to you to formally invite you to undertake a review of the Cabinet Office's Freedom of Information Clearing House.

You will be aware that the Clearing House has been the subject of an inquiry by the Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee, which published a report on this topic on 29 April. This matter has been of interest to my Committee and so I would be grateful if you could furnish me with the below information concerning your involvement in the review process:

- What is your prior experience of undertaking internal reviews into the operation of Government departments?
- What is your prior experience do you have of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and the implementation of Freedom of Information policy?
- What actions are you taking to ensure you are, and are perceived to be, independent in conducting this review?
- What secretariat assistance will be provided to you during the course of the review and from which departmental teams will they be drawn?
- What actions are you taking to ensure the independence of the secretariat team that will be provided to you?
- Can you commit to providing the Committee with a regular update on the progress of your review?

I look forward to receiving your response to the above points on this subject matter by 24th June 2022. I will be placing a copy of this letter and your response in the public domain. I am copying this letter to the Lord True CBE, Minister of State at the Cabinet Office.

Yours sincerely,

William Wragg MP
Chair, Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee