



Date 27 August 2024

Post Office 100 Wood Street, London, EC2V 7ER

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Freedom of Information Request – FOI2024/01171

We are writing in response to your email received by Post Office Limited ("**Post Office**") on 21 August, which has been dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("**FOIA**").

In your email you have requested the information shown verbatim in bold below:

- 1. Are the postcode-areas divisions of the United Kingdom or divisions of England?
- 2. Are the postcode-areas identical to or different from the areas of the administrative divisions of England (Local Government Act 1972)?
- 3. Which law, statute or instrument defines the postcode areas?
- 4. Taking an exemplary postcode is this a division of the United Kingdom or of England, and in which law, statute, or instrument is it based/defined/codified?
- 5. The United Kingdom and England are two different territorial jurisdictions how is that reflected in the postcodes?

We can confirm we do not hold the information you have requested.

Under section 16 of the FOIA and our duty to provide advice and assistance, it is worth noting that this information may be held by the Royal Mail Group ("Royal Mail"), who are a separate company to Post Office. Whilst Royal Mail are not subject to the FOIA, you may wish to contact them to see if they hold any of the requested information. You can call the Royal Mail Customer Services on 08457 740 740 or visit them online at: https://personal.help.royalmail.com/app/webforms/contact/c/310.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of this response, you do have a right to request an internal review. You can do this by writing to the address above within 40 working days of receipt of this response stating your reasons for your internal review request or alternatively, by emailing information.rights@postoffice.co.uk.

If, having requested an internal review by Post Office, you are still not satisfied with our response you also have a right of appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113

https://ico.org.uk

Yours sincerely,

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