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Date 24 September 2025

Post Office 100 Wood Street London EC2V 9ER

Your Ref:

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Freedom of Information Request - FOI2025/00613

We are writing in response to your email received by Post Office Limited ("Post Office") on 27 August 2025, 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:

"Can you share what payments have been made to Voice of the Postmaster Committee members for attending meetings with Post Office? This could be in relation to but not limited to Consultative Council, Postmaster Panel or other meetings in Wood Street or at Chesterfield etc, including out-of-office payments and all other expenses, such as travel etc.

For ease and to reduce cost for searching, we require information covering the 1st of April 2023 to 30th of July 2025.

For clarity, the Voice of the Postmaster Committee according to their website is

Richard Trinder - Chair

Mark Harrison - Vice Chair

Selina Rashid - Vice Chair (Scotland)

Brent Johnson - Secretary

Jermey Brown - Treasurer

Sajaad Yasin - Communication Officer

Paulish Patel - Committee Member

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Kish Patel - Committee Member David Carr - Committee Member"

We can confirm that Post Office does hold the information that you have requested, but we have decided that the information should be withheld under sections 40(2) and 40(3A) of the FOIA as the information constitutes personal data relating to other persons. These sections exempt personal information from disclosure if that information relates to someone other than the applicant, and if disclosure of that information would breach any of the data protection principles in Article 5(1) of the UK General Data Protection Regulation ("GDPR").

We consider that disclosure of this information is likely to breach the first data protection principle, which provides that personal data must be processed lawfully, fairly, and in a transparent manner. Disclosure of payments made for attending specific meetings with Post Office would not constitute 'fair' processing of the personal data as used in conjunction with other publicly available information, such as who is a member of both the Voice of the Postmaster and Consultative Council/Postmaster Panel, would make the individuals identifiable.

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 www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints

Yours sincerely,

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