



Appeal No. EA/2014/0279

**IN THE MATTER OF AN APPEAL TO THE FIRST TIER TRIBUNAL
(INFORMATION RIGHTS)
UNDER SECTION 57 OF THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000**

B E T W E E N:-

LEE JOHNSON

Appellant

-and-

INFORMATION COMMISSIONER

First Respondent

-and-

MINISTRY OF JUSTICE

Second Respondent

CONSENT ORDER

UPON hearing the appellant in person and Mr. D Sternberg of Counsel for the second respondent.

And upon the appellant and the second respondent agreeing as follows:

- a) The Ministry of Justice, the second respondent, is to provide the information requested in Mr. Johnson's questions of June 25 2014 as amended in the schedule to this order within 20 working days of the date of this order;
- b) The information provided to Mr. Johnson in answer to the FOI question in the schedule to this order will be provided by the second respondent from the LIBRA and IFAS systems;
- c) The appellant accepts that there has been no analysis of the underlying court records, which the Ministry of Justice considers to be the complete source of data to answer the appellant's questions of June 25 2014;
- d) This consent order in relation to records held by Barkingside Magistrates' Court for Council Tax liability orders sought by the London Borough of Redbridge is of no precedential value that the costs limit provided for in section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 is not engaged in any other request made in relation to any other Magistrates' Court and without prejudice as to whether the information requested by the

appellant might be exempt from disclosure under section 32 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000:

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The appeal be withdrawn by consent;
2. In accordance with the Tribunal's normal practice, there be no order for costs

BY THE TRIBUNAL

[Signed on original]

Fiona Henderson
Tribunal Judge

Dated: 27 May 2015

SCHEDULE: QUESTIONS ASKED BY MR. JOHNSON AS AMENDED

Annotations are in square brackets

In 2013:

1. [It is now accepted that question 1 is answered within question 2]
2. How many applications were issued by the London Borough of Redbridge for council tax arrears. (Being the total number of application forms issued by the London Borough of Redbridge)
3. [It is agreed that Mr. Johnson's third question has been answered]
4. What was the total amount of fees for application forms issued by the London Borough of Redbridge for council tax arrears.
5. How many times were costs awarded by HMCTS to the London Borough of Redbridge for Council tax arrears.
6. What was the total amount of costs awarded to the London Borough of Redbridge by HMCTS in respect of council tax arrears applications.