

# IN THE MATTER OF AN APPEAL TO THE FIRST-TIER TRIBUNAL (INFORMATION RIGHTS) UNDER SECTION 58 OF THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

Appeal No: EA/2009/0106

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## **DEPARTMENT FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS**

**Appellant** 

and

### THE INFORMATION COMMISSIONER

Respondent

and

#### MR SIMON BIRKETT

**Second Respondent** 

CONSENT ORDER APPROVAL	

**PURSUANT** to Rule 37(1) of the Tribunal Procedure (First-tier) (General Regulatory Chamber) Rules 2009, upon reading the parties' representations:

In accordance with the provisions of the above Rule, the Tribunal approves the consent order in this matter attached hereto in the following terms.

Signed:

John Angel

Principal Judge

Dated: 30 April 2012

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BETWEEN:

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DEPARTMENT FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS

**Appellant** 

THE INFORMATION COMMISSIONER

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and

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#### **CONSENT ORDER**

**UPON** the Appellant having disclosed to the Second Respondent by letter dated 26 March 2012 all the disputed information falling for consideration by the Tribunal upon this remitted appeal, save for: (1) three sentences at page 20 of document (d) within the Closed Bundle; and (2) names and email addresses of civil servants redacted from documents (b), (c) and (e) within the Closed Bundle (together 'the remaining disputed information')

**AND UPON** the Second Respondent confirming that he does not seek disclosure of the remaining disputed information

**AND UPON** the Respondent confirming that it does not seek to uphold its Decision Notice dated 2 November 2009 to the extent that such notice requires the Appellant to disclose the remaining disputed information

**AND UPON** the Tribunal having considered the letter sent by the Appellant to the Respondents dated 26 March 2012 and the response to that letter by the Second Respondent dated 5 April 2012

## BY CONSENT IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Respondent's Decision Notice is substituted so as to provide that the Appellant is not required to disclose to the Second Respondent the remaining disputed information.
- 2. There be no further hearing listed or order made in these proceedings.
- 3. No order for costs.

Dated this 30<sup>th</sup> day of April 2012

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