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To:	
Subject:	FOI-17-0970 - Business Rates
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Attachments:	Further Information - Right to Review & Appeal.pdf FOI-17-0970 - TR information.xlsx

Dear ,

Thank you for your information request of 7 July 2017. Aberdeen City Council (ACC) has completed the necessary search for the information requested.

## Follow up to FOI-17-0833

Please provide an up-to-date list of businesses that have been granted transitional relief? Is it also possible to get a list of businesses that have applied for this but not yet had a decision?

If so, a current list of both granted and awaiting a decision would be most useful, otherwise there may be cases that applied and received the relief after your last response that would not be in either list.

Please refer to the Excel spreadsheet attached detailing the information requested above.

Entries relating to individual persons (sole traders) have been deleted including all information where the individual could be identified.

ACC is unable to provide you with information on individual persons as it is exempt from disclosure. In order to comply with its obligations under the terms of Section 16 of the FOISA, ACC hereby gives notice that we are refusing your request under the terms of Section 38(1)(b) in conjunction with 38(2)(a)(i) – Personal Information – of the FOISA.

In making this decision, ACC considered the following points:

ACC is of the opinion that Section 38(1)(b) applies to the information specified above as the information in question is personal information relating to living individuals, of which the applicant is not the data subject.

ACC is of the opinion that Section 38(2)(a)(i) applies, as we consider that disclosure of this information would be a breach of the first Data Protection Principle (that personal information must be processed fairly and lawfully. These individuals have not consented to the disclosure of their information, and ACC does not consider that they would expect ACC to release this information about them into the public domain under the FOISA.

We hope this helps with your request.

Yours sincerely,

Grant Webster Information Compliance Officer

## INFORMATION ABOUT THE HANDLING OF YOUR REQUEST

ACC handled your request for information in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. Please refer to the attached PDF for more information about your rights under FOISA.

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