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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST 1593

I write further to your email dated 27 April 2021.

Your request has been dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), explained on our freedom of information page.

Your request:

- 1. Overall, as of 27th April 2021, how many applications to the Test and Trace Support Payment Scheme have been:
 - Received?
 - Processed?
 - Accepted?
 - Rejected?

If possible, please could the above be split by main and discretionary scheme. I understand that this is not always possible due to how applications are processed.

- 2. Since the scheme was extended to include parents or guardians of isolating children (announced in February, but introduced in March), how many applications have been:
 - Received?
 - Processed?
 - Accepted?
 - Rejected?

Again, if possible, please could the above be split by main and discretionary scheme.

- 3. When the scheme was extended to cover parents and carers of self-isolating children, new funding was also announced for the discretionary scheme. Except for it now being open to parents and carers, did the new funding lead to any other widening of the eligibility criteria for the discretionary scheme?
- 4. At any point during the running of the scheme, did you run out of funding for the discretionary scheme (even if this was later topped up)?
- 5. If possible, please could you provide a breakdown of accepted and rejected applications by: gender, ethnicity, employment status, and disability status?

Our response:

Data correct as of 27 April 2021.

1.

		Main Scheme	Discretionary Scheme
Total	413	235	178
Denied	307	139	168
Awaiting Information	17	12	5
Approved	89	84	5

2.

		Main Scheme	Discretionary Scheme
Total	57	37	20
Denied	41	25	16
Awaiting Information	5	2	3
Approved	11	10	1

- 3. Yes, we removed a non-dependent restriction applied to the original discretionary scheme, and increased the savings limit from £1,000 to £2,000.
- 4. No.
- 5. This information is not recorded.

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Yours sincerely

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