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Our Reference: Ref 2702

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Freedom of Information Enquiry: Bid for Traffic Signal Obsolescence Grant and/or Green Light Fund

Thank you for contacting West Yorkshire Combined Authority ('the Combined Authority') with your request for information, which was received on 07/01/2026. Your request was:

"Please could I request an electronic copy of your authority's bid submission for the Traffic Signal Obsolescence Grant and/or Green Light Fund (submitted to DfT November/December 2023)."

This request was handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FoI), and I can confirm that the Combined Authority does not hold the information covered by your request, as no bid was submitted in 2023. We have, however, provided further narrative to explain why that is and included related documents which you may consider relevant:

- The Department for Transport (DfT) launched a competitive ("challenge") funding process in November 2023 for a set of different traffic signals/traffic management funding streams. There was also an element of funding to be allocated across authorities without a bid: [£70m signals funding timescales announced - LCRIG](#)
- The Combined Authority understands that some districts (Bradford, Kirklees, Wakefield, Leeds) submitted bids for the challenge funding opportunities, and that some were successful
- The Combined Authority convened a group to discuss a potential West Yorkshire bid submitted by the Combined Authority for a further competitive funding element, but this did not come to fruition and that funding stream was subsequently cancelled, so we did not submit a bid
- In 2024 we did receive West Yorkshire funding from the non-competitive element, which was allocated across our districts (please see attached grant letter '**Ref 2702 - TSOG_GLF-West Yorkshire Combined Authority.pdf**') without us submitting a bid or any kind of submission. We had to provide confirmation to the DfT via their online portal of how this funding would be used, by 31st May 2024. You will notice that some redactions have been applied to this document, where this is the case,

you will see a grey box. This is because some of the information held is exempt from disclosure under Section 40(2) of the FoIA, which prevents the release of



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personal data. Disclosure would contravene UK GDPR principle (a) because there is no lawful basis for processing or sharing the personal data as part of a Freedom of Information Request.

- As this was directly entered onto the DfT's online portal, we did not create a submission document, but their system did provide a record of our details, please see the attached file '**Ref 2702 - Signals Authority Entry Sheet 2024 E11000006 - West Yorkshire Combined Authority.pdf**'.
- This did not constitute a 'bid submission', as it was for a non-competitive element and was information required by Government to meet grant conditions. This was also a separate process to the one this FoI request refers to around a November/December 2023 submission.

If you believe that your request for information has not been handled properly, you can ask for an internal review of our decision. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of this letter.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113

Website: www.ico.gov.uk

For your information, there is no charge for making an appeal.

Yours sincerely,

Information Governance Officer

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