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Our Ref: FOI2020/07512

Date: 13 March 2020

Dear Owen Stevens,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on 10 February 2020. You asked for:

I was recently sent the stand alone document titled 'SDP Case Handling' (see the attachment to FOI2020/01998)

- 1) Please provide the 'file path' to this document; and
- Please provide a list of all the other stand alone documents of a similar type (i.e. if DWP call this a 'stand alone policy document' then please send me the list of names of all other 'stand alone policy documents')"

DWP Response

Under section 14(2) of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), public authorities are not obliged to comply with a repeat request.

Where a public authority (in this case the DWP) has previously responded to a request for information which was made by any person, it is not obliged to comply with a subsequent identical or substantially similar request from that person unless a reasonable interval has elapsed between compliance with the previous request and the making of the current request.

In this case, the Department has already responded to a similar request from you as advised in FOI2020/01998 & FOI2020/05881 – under section 14(2) of the Act will not be responding afresh.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact the Department at: <u>freedom-of-information-request@dwp.gov.uk</u> quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely, Policy Group FOI Team Department for Work and Pensions

Your right to complain under the Freedom of Information Act

If you are not happy with this response you may request an internal review by e-mailing <u>freedom-of-information-request@dwp.gov.uk</u> or by writing to DWP, Central Fol Team, Caxton House, Tothill Street, SW1H 9NA. Any review request should be submitted within two months of the date of this letter.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office for a decision. Generally, the Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF - Web: <u>ico.org.uk/Global/contact_us</u> or telephone 0303 123 1113 or 01625 545745