8 March 2016

Reference number: FoI - 284

REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

I am writing in response to the request you made to BBSRC under the Freedom of Information Act, which was received on Monday 2 February 2016.

Statement of information requested

Shooting Rights on BBSRC Land

I write in accordance with Freedom of Information Act 2000 (“FOIA 2000”) to request disclosure of any information held by BBSRC (“the Public Authority”) relating to Sporting Rights, or any other permissions granted, which allow the driving or shooting of game (as defined by Section 2, Game Act 1831) or snipe, woodcock and waterfowl (as defined by Schedule 2, Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981) over its land or land it leases for such a purpose.

The information I request is as follows:

1. **Does the Public Authority have any arrangement(s) such as, or similar to, that described above?**

2. **If yes, what are the terms and length(s) of the arrangement(s)?**

Background

The Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC) is one of seven Research Councils that work together as Research Councils UK (RCUK). It is funded from the Government’s Department for Business, Innovation and Skills. BBSRC’s budget for 2014/15 was £509M and it supports around 1,600 scientists and 2,000 research students in universities and institutes in the UK. Information about BBSRC’s mission can be found on our website at [http://www.bbsrc.ac.uk/organisation/mission.aspx](http://www.bbsrc.ac.uk/organisation/mission.aspx).

**UK Shared Business Services** (UK SBS) provides a range of services, including IT, to BBSRC and other public sector organisations. UK SBS enters contracts on its clients behalf and provides services to them.

Duty to confirm or deny

BBSRC does not hold the information requested.

If you have any further questions, please contact me quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely

BBSRC Freedom of Information Officer

Publication: please note that this response to your request may be published on a public website.

Complaints Process

If you are dissatisfied with how we have handled your request, you may register a formal complaint with the BBSRC Complaints Officer at [complaints.office@bbsrc.ac.uk](mailto:complaints.office@bbsrc.ac.uk), who will conduct an internal review.
If you are not happy with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner, Information Commissioner’s Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF, Tel: 01625 545 745, https://ico.org.uk/.