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Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information Request 2020-011

Thank you for contacting CITB requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). In your request, dated 16 June 2020, you asked for the following:

1. Please provide the figures for the total levy paid and grant received by employers counted in each prescribed organisation in 2019?
2. Please provide the 2018 and 2019 figures for the total levy paid and grant received by employers who stated a federation on their levy return form affiliated to Build UK. Please specify the levy paid and grant received for each of the affiliated Build UK federations.

My response is as follows:

1. Please provide the figures for the total levy paid and grant received by employers counted in each prescribed organisation in 2019?

The levy amount due is based upon an annual Levy Assessment, which in turn is based upon an employer's Levy Return. In responding to your request for the total levy paid in 2019, we have based this on the levy due for the financial year April 2019 – March 2020, compiled from the assessment of the 2018 Levy Returns. The figures on the table below, for both levy and grant, therefore relate to the 2019/20 financial year.

Prescribed Organisation	Grant	Levy
British Woodworking Federation (BWF)	818,182	1,056,318
Build UK	15,866,527	34,095,229
Civil Engineering Contractors Association (CECA)	11,588,445	16,959,860
Construction Plant-hire Association (CPA)	6,476,759	10,734,485
Federation of Master Builders (FMB)	7,702,288	16,048,604
Finishes and Interiors Sector (FIS)	1,566,406	5,975,808
Hire Association Europe (HAE)	1,368,201	1,671,903
Home Builders Federation (HBF)	8,046,355	23,271,121

Prescribed Organisation	Grant	Levy
National Association of Shopfitters (NAS)	472,805	1,692,873
National Federation of Builders (NFB)	4,044,052	10,689,015
National Federation of Demolition Contractors (NFDC)	1,032,665	2,472,676
Scottish Building Federation (SBF)	4,078,433	5,285,212
Scottish Decorators Federation (SDF)	1,281,296	662,069
Scottish Plant Owners Association (SPOA)	1,058,459	1,436,758
Total	65,400,872	132,051,928

NB: The figures in the table above will include an element of double counting; where an employer is a member of more than one Prescribed Organisation the levy they have paid and the grant they have received will be recorded against each Prescribed Organisation. For example, if Employer A paid levy of £1,000 and declared that they are a member of BWF and Build UK, then £1,000 would be included within the Levy figures for both BWF and Build UK. Similarly if they received grant of £1,000 this figure would be included within the grant figure for both.

2. Please provide the 2018 and 2019 figures for the total levy paid and grant received by employers who stated a federation on their levy return form affiliated to Build UK. Please specify the levy paid and grant received for each of the affiliated Build UK federations

As detailed in response to Q1, above, the Levy payment covers a March – April financial year, based upon an employer's Levy Return. In responding to your request for "the 2018 and 2019 figures" we have taken this to be the relevant financial years covering the period March 2018 – April 2019, and March 2019 – April 2020.

The list of affiliated Build UK federations you provided in your request is included in Appendix A. The levy paid and the grant received by employers that stated they were a member of one of these affiliated federations is also included.

Your request also included two federations, the Glass & Glazing Federation (GGF) and the Specialist Access Engineering and Maintenance Association (SAEMA), which are no longer members of Build UK, and therefore no information has been provided in relation to them.

As per my response to Q1, above, the figures in Appendix A will include an element of double counting; where an employer is a member of more than one Prescribed Organisation the levy they have paid and the grant they have received will be recorded against each Prescribed Organisation. For example, if Employer A paid levy of £1,000 and declared that they are a member of ACAD and ARCA, then £1,000 would be included within the Levy figures for both ACAD and ARCA. Similarly if they received grant of £1,000 this figure would be included within the grant figure for both.



Section 44 of the Freedom of Information Act prohibits disclosure if it is not allowed under law. The Industrial Training Act, within Section 6.2 and 6.3a does not permit the sharing of details of levy payers unless it is “in the form of a summary ... so framed as not to enable particulars relating to any individual business to be ascertained from it”. When providing details of groups of levy payers we have taken the view that a group of fewer than five may mean that an individual employer could be identified, therefore where a federation, as listed in Appendix A, has fewer than five members I have removed the amount of levy paid by that federation’s members, although the amount has been included within the overall levy total.

If you are unhappy with this response, or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied, then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting Adrian Beckingham, Corporate Performance Director, CITB, Sand Martin House, Bittern Way, Peterborough, PB2 8TY or email adrian.beckingham@citb.co.uk.

If you remain unhappy following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioners website: <https://ico.org.uk/>

Yours sincerely

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Information Risk & Data Governance Manager

Appendix A – Grant and Levy for Affiliated Build UK Members

Prescribed Organisation	Grant		Levy	
	2018	2019	2018	2019
Asbestos Control & Abatement Division (ACAD)	256,290	100,925	374,069	413,081
Association of Concrete Industrial Flooring Contractors (ACIFC)	36,908	18,683	102,143	116,841
Asbestos Removal Contractors Association (ARCA)	302,039	227,781	585,577	624,481
Association of Ductwork Contractors and Allied Services (ADCAS)	-	-	-	-
Association of Specialist Fire Protection (ASFP)	61,678	26,160	96,329	135,855
Association of Specialist Underpinning Contractors (ASUC)	316,071	268,771	417,866	427,944
Association of Technical Lightning & Access Specialists (ATLAS)	215,493	210,920	149,369	171,529
The British Constructional Steelwork Association (BCSA)	2,875	1,505	See note 1	See note 1
The Building Engineering Services Association (BESA)	-	-	-	-
British Geomembrane Association (BGA)	-	60	See note 1	See note 1
British Woodworking Federation (BWF)	851,896	818,182	968,862	1,056,318
Contract Flooring Association (CFA)	295,553	280,766	319,190	330,150
Concrete Structures Group (CONSTRUCT)	119,716	157,084	719,987	779,523
Door and Hardware Federation (DHF)	60	600	See note 1	See note 1
Drilling & Sawing Association (DSA)	309,676	294,714	348,584	370,210
Engineered Panels in Construction (EPIC)	-	-	-	-
The Resin Flooring Association (FERFA)	214,339	124,335	302,606	288,521
Finishes and Interiors Sector (FIS)	1,958,397	1,566,406	6,214,009	5,975,808
Federation of Piling Specialists (FPS)	2,795,980	1,441,524	3,071,422	3,043,277
Insulated Render & Cladding Association (INCA)	263,083	158,829	859,285	878,421
International Powered Access Federation (IPAF)	585,400	354,748	308,065	362,425
National Access & Scaffolding Confederation (NASC)	3,156,215	2,005,376	2,526,424	2,717,029
National Federation of Demolition Contractors (NFDC)	1,593,940	1,032,665	2,193,988	2,472,676
National Federation of Roofing Contractors (NFRC)	2,869,588	2,243,401	5,765,753	5,726,059
Painting & Decorating Association (PDA)	1,611,656	1,529,483	2,275,465	2,405,718
Rural & Industrial Design & Building Association (RIDBA)	6,393	7,724	35,635	36,089
Road Safety Markings Association (RSMA)	247,941	153,701	185,290	181,547
Single Ply Roofing Association (SPRA)	229,365	152,846	737,739	722,197
Structural Timber Association (STA)	249,459	327,474	250,606	318,124

Prescribed Organisation	Grant			Levy	
	2018	2019		2018	2019
Thermal Insulation Contractors Association (TICA)	212,240	85,136		264,364	248,946
The Tile Association (TTA)	99,236	134,374		479,201	463,004
Total	18,861,487	13,724,176		29,574,694	30,302,366

Note 1: This federation has fewer than five members that are liable to pay the levy and therefore it may be possible to identify an individual employer. As this would be in breach of the ITA the detail of the levy paid has been removed, but it is included within the overall total