Dear Eva Blum-Dumontet,

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 - INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received by the Council on 23rd September 2020.

Your request:

I am writing to you on behalf of Privacy International under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (“FOIA”) to request the following information from the borough of Ealing in regard to the London Counter Fraud Hub.

1. a) Is the borough of Ealing intending to pursue the roll out of the London Counter Fraud Hub?

   If not, could you:
   I. State the reasons why the project is no longer being rolled out, and
   II. Share any files documenting the council’s reasoning behind the decision (e.g. meeting minutes, memorandums, notes, etc)

The London Counter Fraud Hub did not progress to a full operational stage after the initial pilot phase ended due to the lack of sign up from other local authorities.

2. Could you share any and all communications existing between the borough of Ealing and the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) relating to the London Counter Fraud Hub?

Please advise which specific communication in relation to the London Counter Fraud Hub that you are requesting between the borough of Ealing and CIPFA as this project had been ongoing for a few years.
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Yours sincerely,

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