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Dear Mr Kermodé

We write further to your request, received 20 June 2024, which states:

"New accommodation cabins have recently been installed within the secure grounds of Jurby Prison. The units consist of at least 24 single occupancy cabins located adjacent to the prison football field.

Please can you confirm the following:

- 1. What is the total overall estimated cost of all such cabins upon installation (to include the purchase price of the cabins, fitting out, connection with services, associated labour costs and all other costs)?*
- 2. What is the criteria which will be applied as to which prisoners will be allocated to such cabins?*
- 3. Will both men and women be accommodated in the cabins?*
- 4. When will the first prisoners move in to any of the cabins?*
- 5. Will prisoners housed in the cabins be subject to the same cell opening/lockup times and regime as within the main prison wings?*

Thank you."

While our aim is to provide information whenever possible, in this instance the public authority does not hold or cannot, after taking reasonable steps to do so, find some of the information that you have requested. This is because the procedures relating to the Cabins are yet to be officially documented and finalised as at the date of your request. Answers have been provided to the extent that such matters are known by the Prison Management Team.

- 1. What is the total overall estimated cost of all such cabins upon installation (to include the purchase price of the cabins, fitting out, connection with services, associated labour costs and all other costs)?***

Response: The total overall estimated cost upon installation to include the items mentioned above is £191,366.33. This estimate is based on the Department's understanding, quotes, and conversations with suppliers and contractors, as at the date of your request. The final overall costs remain to be determined.

- 2. What is the criteria which will be applied as to which prisoners will be allocated to such cabins?***

Response: This information is not held as at the date of your request. However, the following information is provided in line with the Department's duty to advise and assist under Section 15 of the Freedom of Information Act 2015 ("the Act"): the relevant criteria are currently under development.

3. Will both men and women be accommodated in the cabins?

Response: No, only male prisoners will be accommodated in the cabins. The capacity issues to be addressed by the implementation of the cabins are limited to the wings holding male prisoners.

4. When will the first prisoners move in to any of the cabins?

Response: This information is not held (unknown at present and to be determined following establishment of the aforementioned criteria relating to the category/categories of prisoner to be transferred).

5. Will prisoners housed in the cabins be subject to the same cell opening/lockup times and regime as within the main prison wings?

Response: This information is not held. In line with our duty to advise and assist, we are advised that the relevant routines and regimes are to be finalised and are contingent on the category/categories of prisoner to be relocated to the cabins (which remains to be determined, as advised in our response to Question 2, above).

Please quote the reference number 3931369 in any future communications.

Your right to request a review

If you are unhappy with this response to your freedom of information request, you may ask us to carry out an internal review of the response, by completing a complaint form and submitting it electronically or by delivery/post.

An electronic version of our complaint form can be found by going to our website at <https://services.gov.im/freedom-of-information/Review> . If you would like a paper version of our complaint form to be sent to you by post, please contact me and I will be happy to arrange for this. Your review request should explain why you are dissatisfied with this response, and should be made as soon as practicable. We will respond as soon as the review has been concluded.

If you are not satisfied with the result of the review, you then have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner for a decision on;

1. Whether we have responded to your request for information in accordance with Part 2 of the Freedom of Information Act 2015; or
2. Whether we are justified in refusing to give you the information requested.

In response to an application for review, the Information Commissioner may, at any time, attempt to resolve a matter by negotiation, conciliation, mediation or another

form of alternative dispute resolution and will have regard to any outcome of this in making any subsequent decision.

More detailed information on your right to a review can be found on the Information Commissioner's website at www.inforights.im.

Should you have any queries concerning this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Further information about freedom of information requests can be found at www.gov.im/foi.

I will now close your request as of this date.

Yours sincerely



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