

## **Information Fair Trade Scheme (IFTS)**

Commitment by the Chief Executive Officer of The National Archives

I am personally committed to making sure that The National Archives trades fairly in information. To show the strength of my commitment, I have received Fair Trader accreditation from the Controller of Her Majesty's Stationery Office (HMSO). I am confident that we have the right administrative processes in place so that I can support the following statement with confidence.

I will insist that we strictly follow a system of open trading that meets the terms of the Competition Act 1998. My aim is that, in principle, we can meet the needs of anyone who applies for a licence to reuse information for any purpose.

The role of information trading is written into our business model. We set prices, and methods for setting prices, in line with the role of information trading within central Government. We publish them on our website and strictly follow them. Any exceptions are described in full on our website and are available to anyone who qualifies for them.

I am committed to reducing as far as possible the administrative burden on people who re-use public sector information. I will make sure that we use processes for trading information that are similar to those of the rest of the public sector.

I will tell the Controller of HMSO about any complaints I receive that my organisation has broken this commitment and I will investigate them thoroughly. If OPSI decides to investigate a complaint I will allow the OPSI investigation team see the relevant staff and records.

**Natalie Ceeney, CEO**

