HM Treasury – Information Management Assessment

During autumn 2015 HM Treasury invited the National Archives to assess our departmental approach to information management, as part of the cross-government IMA programme. This was a reassessment to gauge how far we had come since their original visit five years before.

The National Archives’ assessment report is published today and I am reassured to see that it records significant improvement. The Department is commended for good practice in a number of areas and recognised for ongoing satisfactory performance in others.

Information management is important to HM Treasury. Our information not only has immediate business value, but much longer term worth in managing government risks and liabilities, ensuring public accountability and witnessing history. The report directs us towards development in three areas and I will ensure that the Department addresses these through a robust action plan.

In delivering this plan, HM Treasury will continue to work closely with the National Archives. The Department recognises the value of the IMA programme and is pleased to be a part of it.

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