

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Decision notice

Date:	3 May 2019
Public Authority:	The Governing Body of St. Andrew's CE Primary School
Address:	Tower Hill
	Much Hadham
	Hertfordshire
	SG10 6DL

Decision (including any steps ordered)

- The complainant has requested information on staff turnover, compromise agreements, disciplinary investigations, governor appointments, pupil turnover and reasons for pupil withdrawal. St. Andrew's Primary School disclosed some information but withheld other information on the basis of section 40(2) of the FOIA. The School also refused to confirm or deny if some information was held under section 40(5B)(a)(i). During the investigation the School also clarified that any reasons for pupil withdrawal were not held.
- 2. The Commissioner's decision is that the School was correct to neither confirm nor deny if it held information on staff leaving with compromise agreements or settlement. The Commissioner also finds that the School does not hold information on reasons for pupil withdrawals. However, whilst the Commissioner accepts that the number of pupils withdrawn from the school roll for several school years is personal data she has not found that disclosing this would breach any of the data protection principles.
- 3. The Commissioner requires the public authority to take the following steps to ensure compliance with the legislation.
 - Disclose the numbers of children withdrawn from Year 3 of the School during the period September 2017 to May 2018 along with the number of children in Year 3 where the School had been notified they would be withdrawn and the same information for Year 2 of the academic year 2016-2017 and Year 1 2015-2016.



4. The public authority must take these steps within 35 calendar days of the date of this decision notice. Failure to comply may result in the Commissioner making written certification of this fact to the High Court pursuant to section 54 of the Act and may be dealt with as a contempt of court.

Request and response

5. On 23 May 2018 the complainant made a request to the School in several parts as follows:

"1) Staff turnover

Please provide the number of staff whose employment with St Andrews ("the School") ceased in each of the following periods:

January – August 2012 September 2012 – August 2013 September 2013 – August 2014 September 2014 – August 2015 September 2015 – August 2016 September 2016 – August 2017 September 2017 – May 2018

Please indicate the number of those departing staff during each period where the School entered into any form of "compromise", settlement or other legal agreement.

2) Disciplinary investigations

Please indicate the number of disciplinary investigations conducted concerning staff during the period from August 2016 to May 2018.

3) Governor appointment dates

Please provide, for each member of the Governing Body serving at the date of this letter, the date of their initial appointment to the governing body (ie the date of commencement of their initial period of appointment NOT their current term of appointment).

4) Pupil turnover - whole school

Please provide the number of pupils removed from the School roll during each of the following periods, together with the number of children on the school roll at the end of each of the periods set out:

January – August 2012



September 2012 – August 2013 September 2013 – August 2014 September 2014 – August 2015 September 2015 – August 2016 September 2016 – August 2017 September 2017 – May 2018

Where reasons for withdrawals were stated, please provide these.

Please also provide the number of withdrawals notified to School, where the child has not yet been removed from the School roll

5) Pupil turnover – Year 3

Please provide the number of children withdrawn from Year 3 of the School during the period September 2017 to May 2018, together with the number of children in Year 3 where the School has been notified that they will be withdrawn. Again, please provide any reason stated for withdrawal.

Please also provide the same information (number of children withdrawn and, if stated, reasons for withdrawal) for:

Year 2 of the academic year 2016 – 2017; and Year 1 of the academic year 2015 – 2016."

- 6. The School responded on 15 June 2018. For 1) the School provided the number of staff leaving in each period but refused to either confirm or deny if any compromise agreements were in place on the basis of section 40(5) of the FOIA. The School similarly refused to provide the information asked for at 2) by virtue of the same exclusion.
- 7. The School provided the information at 3) and also part of the information asked for at 4) the number of pupils removed from the roll and the number of pupils on the roll at the end of each period. However, the reasons for withdrawal were withheld on the basis of section 40(2) of the FOIA. For 5) the School refused to provide the information by virtue of section 40(2) of the FOIA.
- 8. The complainant asked for an internal review of this decision on 24 June 2018. For 1) the complainant suggested that she would accept a cumulative total of any leavers with a compromise agreement and questioned how this information would reveal any personal data. For 2) the complainant disputed again that confirming or denying if the information was held would reveal personal data as nobody could be identified from it.



- 9. For 4) the complainant asked for some clarification on the numbers provided. The complainant also questioned the decision to refuse to provide the reasons for withdrawal as she did not consider this would identify individuals.
- 10. With regard to 5); the complainant again questioned how this information would identify individuals and queried why it should be withheld given the whole school figures had been provided and this just broke the same information down into year groups.
- 11. Following an internal review the School responded on 20 July 2018 and upheld its refusal notice.

Scope of the case

- 12. The complainant contacted the Commissioner on 16 August 2018 to complain about the way her request for information had been handled.
- 13. During the course of the investigation the School confirmed that in fact it did not hold the reasons for withdrawal from the School roll.
- 14. The Commissioner considers the scope of her investigation to be to determine if the information that has been withheld is personal data and, if so, whether the School is entitled to withhold this under section 40(2) of the FOIA and to determine if the School has correctly refused to confirm or deny if some information is held under section 40(5B)(a)(i). The Commissioner will also consider whether the School has correctly stated that the information on reasons for withdrawal is not held.

Reasons for decision

15. As the School's refusal of the request was after 25 May 2018, the date the new Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA) and General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) legislation came into force, the Commissioner considers that the DPA/GDPR applies.

Section 40 personal information – neither confirm nor deny

16. Section 40(5B)(a)(i) of FOIA provides that the duty to confirm or deny whether information is held does not arise if it would contravene any of the principles relating to the processing of personal data set out in Article 5 of the General Data Protection Regulation EU2016/679 ('GDPR') to provide that confirmation or denial.



- 17. Therefore, for the School to be entitled to rely on section 40(5B) of FOIA to refuse to confirm or deny whether it holds information falling within the scope of the request the following two criteria must be met:
 - Confirming or denying whether the requested information is held would constitute the disclosure of a third party's personal data; and
 - Providing this confirmation or denial would contravene one of the data protection principles.
- 18. In this case the information that the School has refused to confirm or deny it holds is:
 - The number of staff leaving during each period where the School entered into any form of compromise agreement or settlement; and
 - The number of disciplinary investigations conducted concerning staff in the specified period.

Would the confirmation or denial that the requested information is held constitute the disclosure of a third party's personal data?

19. Section 3(2) of the DPA 2018 defines personal data as:-

"any information relating to an identified or identifiable living individual".

- 20. The two main elements of personal data are that the information must relate to a living person and that the person must be identifiable.
- 21. Information will relate to a person if it is about them, linked to them, has biographical significance for them, is used to inform decisions affecting them or has them as its main focus.
- 22. The School has explained it is a small village primary school of approximately 200 children that serves a small local community. In this case the requested information, if held, would be in extremely small numbers if at all. The information would relate to staff members and the School considers that stating if this is held would in itself reveal personal data, for example stating the number is zero may mean that revealing the number was then one for another period could result in the member of staff being identified due to the very small numbers involved and the small nature of the School and the local community. The School therefore considers it appropriate to neither confirm nor deny if information on these subjects is held.



- 23. The Commissioner acknowledges that with small numbers there is a chance of individuals being identified and in this case this a reasonable assumption as the number of staff at the school is relatively low. Revealing a number or stating this was zero could potentially lead to the identification of the staff members and therefore disclose personal data.
- 24. For the reasons set out above the Commissioner is satisfied that if the School confirmed whether or not it held the requested information this would result in the disclosure of a third party's personal data. The first criterion set out above is therefore met.
- 25. The fact that confirming or denying whether the requested is held would reveal the personal data of a third party does not automatically prevent the School from refusing to confirm whether or not it holds this information. The second element of the test is to determine whether such a confirmation or denial would contravene any of the data protection principles.
- 26. The Commissioner agrees that the most relevant data protection principle is principal (a).

Would confirming whether or not the requested information is held contravene one of the data protection principles?

27. Article 5(1)(a) GDPR states that:-

"Personal data shall be processed lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner in relation to the data subject"

28. In the case of a FOIA request, the personal data is processed when it is disclosed in response to the request. This means that the information can only be disclosed – or as in this case the public authority can only confirm whether or not it holds the requested information - if to do so would be lawful (i.e. it would meet one of the conditions of lawful processing listed in Article 6(1) GDPR), be fair, and be transparent.

Lawful processing: Article 6(1)(f) GDPR

- 29. Article 6(1) of the GDPR specifies the requirements for lawful processing by providing that "*processing shall be lawful <u>only</u> if and to the extent that at least one of the*" conditions listed in the Article applies. One of the conditions in Article 6(1) must therefore be met before disclosure of the information in response to the request would be considered lawful.
- 30. The Commissioner considers that the condition most applicable on the facts of this case would be that contained in Article 6(1)(f) GDPR which provides as follows:-



"processing is necessary for the purposes of the legitimate interests pursued by the controller or by a third party except where such interests are overridden by the interests or fundamental rights and freedoms of the data subject which require protection of personal data, in particular where the data subject is a child"¹.

31. In considering the application of Article 6(1)(f) GDPR in the context of a request for information under FOIA it is necessary to consider the following three-part test:-

(i) **Legitimate interest test**: Whether a legitimate interest is being pursued in the request for information;

(ii) **Necessity test**: Whether confirmation as to whether the requested information is held (or not) is necessary to meet the legitimate interest in question;

(iii) **Balancing test:** Whether the above interests override the legitimate interest(s) or fundamental rights and freedoms of the data subject.

32. The Commissioner considers that the test of "necessity" under stage (ii) must be met before the balancing test under stage (iii) is applied.

(i) Legitimate interests

33. In considering any legitimate interests in confirming whether or not the requested information is held in response to a FOI request, the Commissioner recognises that such interests can include broad general

¹ Article 6(1) goes on to state that:-

"Point (f) of the first subparagraph shall not apply to processing carried out by public authorities in the performance of their tasks".

However, section 40(8) FOIA (as amended by Schedule 19 Paragraph 58(8) DPA 2018) provides that:-

"In determining for the purposes of this section whether the lawfulness principle in Article 5(1)(a) of the GDPR would be contravened by the disclosure of information, Article 6(1) of the GDPR (lawfulness) is to be read as if the second sub-paragraph (dis-applying the legitimate interests gateway in relation to public authorities) were omitted".



principles of accountability and transparency for their own sakes as well as case specific interests.

- 34. Further, a wide range of interests may be legitimate interests. They can be the requester's own interests or the interests of third parties, and commercial interests as well as wider societal benefits. They may be compelling or trivial, but trivial interests may be more easily overridden in the balancing test.
- 35. There is a legitimate interest in maintaining public confidence in the School and for parents to know whether staff are performing to the required standards. It could be argued therefore that there is a legitimate interest in knowing if any staff have left under compromise agreements or have been subject to disciplinary proceedings as this would be a way of knowing if there are issues with staff and if these are being addressed by the School.

(*ii*) Is confirming whether or not the requested information is held necessary?

- 36. 'Necessary' means more than desirable but less than indispensable or absolute necessity. Accordingly, the test is one of reasonable necessity which involves the consideration of alternative measures, and so confirming whether or not the requested information is held would not be necessary if the legitimate aim could be achieved by something less. Confirmation or denial under FOIA as to whether the requested information is held must therefore be the least intrusive means of achieving the legitimate aim in question.
- 37. In the circumstances of the case, the Commissioner is not persuaded that there is a compelling legitimate interest in revealing whether staff have left the School under compromise or settlement agreements or if disciplinary action has taken place. She accepts there is a legitimate interest in maintaining public confidence in the School but there are mechanisms by which individuals can raise concerns about School's and there is much published information on School's performance that can be obtained from reports and inspections.
- 38. If any staff have left in circumstances requiring compromise agreements or have been subject to disciplinary action they are likely to have a high expectation that this would remain confidential.
- 39. The Commissioner is not persuaded that it is necessary in the circumstances of this case to reveal the personal data of individuals who may have been involved in a confidential process in order to maintain public confidence in the School. Furthermore the Commissioner



considers it is importance to protect the identities of any individuals in these circumstances.

- 40. It is the Commissioner's view that not confirming or denying whether the requested information is held is unlikely to undermine public confidence in the School. Revealing whether staff have left in the circumstances described is not likely to be particularly informative with respect to this as it will not reveal the detail of why the staff left, if any did at all.
- 41. Rather, in the Commissioner's view, the public will have trust and confidence in a process that does not reveal under the FOIA whether individuals have been subject to disciplinary proceedings or have left with settlement agreements from their place of employment. If such situations have arisen, the reasons for this would carry more weight in informing the public's view about how the School is run and managed. Revealing numbers, if any at all, alone is unlikely to sufficiently inform the public. On the other hand, it is highly likely to undermine confidence in the disciplinary process or the School's ability to maintain staff relations.
- 42. The Commissioner considers that confirming or denying whether the requested information is held does not meet the three part legitimate interests test outlined above. The Commissioner does not consider that disclosure is necessary to meet the legitimate interest in maintaining public confidence in the School.
- 43. The Commissioner has therefore concluded that the requirements of Article 6(1)(f) of the GDPR have not been met and so confirming or denying whether the number of staff leaving in each period with any form of compromise or settlement agreement and the number of disciplinary investigations conducted is held would not be lawful. Complying with section 1(1)(a) would therefore breach principle (a) and thus the public authority is excluded from the duty set out in section 1(1)(a) FOIA on the basis of section 40(5B)(a)(i) FOIA.

Section 40 – personal data

44. Section 40(2) of the FOIA provides that information is exempt from disclosure if it is the personal data of an individual other than the requester and where one of the conditions listed in section 40(3A)(3B) or 40(4A) is satisfied.



- 45. In this case the relevant condition is contained in section 40(3A)(a)². This applies where the disclosure of the information to any member of the public would contravene any of the principles relating to the processing of personal data ('the DP principles'), as set out in Article 5 of the General Data Protection Regulation ('GDPR').
- 46. The first step for the Commissioner is to determine whether the withheld information constitutes personal data as defined by the Data Protection Act 2018 ('DPA'). If it is not personal data then section 40 of the FOIA cannot apply.
- 47. Secondly, and only if the Commissioner is satisfied that the requested information is personal data, she must establish whether disclosure of that data would breach any of the DP principles.

Is the information personal data?

48. Section 3(2) of the DPA defines personal data as:

"any information relating to an identified or identifiable living individual".

- 49. The two main elements of personal data are that the information must relate to a living person and that the person must be identifiable.
- 50. An identifiable living individual is one who can be identified, directly or indirectly, in particular by reference to an identifier such as a name, an identification number, location data, an online identifier or to one or more factors specific to the physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity of the individual.
- 51. Information will relate to a person if it is about them, linked to them, has biographical significance for them, is used to inform decisions affecting them or has them as its main focus.
- 52. The information which has been refused under this exemption is:
 - The number of children withdrawn from Year 3 during September 2017 to May 2018 as well as the number of children the School had been notified would be withdrawn for each year group.
 - The same information for Year 2 of the academic year 2016-2017 and Year 1 of the academic year 2015-2016.

² As amended by Schedule 19 Paragraph 58(3) DPA.



- 53. In this case the School has confirmed it does hold information on the number of children withdrawn or where withdrawal has been notified. However, the School argues that due to the small numbers (if any) for the year groups these number could identify individuals.
- 54. The School has again reiterated that it is a village primary school in a small community and they have a reasonable belief that disclosing the number involved could lead to identification of the individuals concerned.
- 55. The Commissioner must, in these cases, consider if releasing apparently anonymised data (such as numbers) to a member of the public could lead to identification of the individuals due to the additional information that a particular member of the public might have that could allow data to be combined to produce information that relates to and identifies an individual.
- 56. The Commissioner acknowledges this is a difficult test to apply as in practice different members of the public may have different access to other information needed to allow for identification. However it is reasonable to assume that in primary schools parents and carers will have some knowledge of other pupils in the year group their children are in at school. If the numbers of leavers is small (as in this case) and an individual is already aware of some leavers in a particular year group, disclosing the overall number of leavers could lead to the identification of the other leavers by a process of elimination. A parent would be able to do this with a minimal amount of 'other' information to combine with the information released by the School.
- 57. In the circumstances of this case, having considered the withheld information, the Commissioner is satisfied that the information relates to individual pupils. She is satisfied that this information both relates to and identifies specific pupils. This information therefore falls within the definition of 'personal data' in section 3(2) of the DPA.
- 58. The fact that information constitutes the personal data of an identifiable living individual does not automatically exclude it from disclosure under the FOIA. The second element of the test is to determine whether disclosure would contravene any of the DP principles.
- 59. The most relevant DP principle in this case is principle (a).

Would disclosure contravene principle (a)?

60. Article 5(1)(a) of the GDPR states that:



"Personal data shall be processed lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner in relation to the data subject".

- 61. In the case of an FOIA request, the personal data is processed when it is disclosed in response to the request. This means that the information can only be disclosed if to do so would be lawful, fair and transparent.
- 62. In order to be lawful, one of the lawful bases listed in Article 6(1) of the GDPR must apply to the processing. It must also be generally lawful.

Lawful processing: Article 6(1)(f) of the GDPR

- 63. Article 6(1) of the GDPR specifies the requirements for lawful processing by providing that "*processing shall be lawful <u>only</u> if and to the extent that at least one of the*" lawful bases for processing listed in the Article applies.
- 64. The Commissioner considers that the lawful basis most applicable is basis 6(1)(f) which states:

"processing is necessary for the purposes of the legitimate interests pursued by the controller or by a third party except where such interests are overridden by the interests or fundamental rights and freedoms of the data subject which require protection of personal data, in particular where the data subject is a child"³.

65. In considering the application of Article 6(1)(f) of the GDPR in the context of a request for information under the FOIA, it is necessary to consider the following three-part test:-

³ Article 6(1) goes on to state that:-

"Point (f) of the first subparagraph shall not apply to processing carried out by public authorities in the performance of their tasks".

However, section 40(8) FOIA (as amended by Schedule 19 Paragraph 58(8) DPA) provides that:-

"In determining for the purposes of this section whether the lawfulness principle in Article 5(1)(a) of the GDPR would be contravened by the disclosure of information, Article 6(1) of the GDPR (lawfulness) is to be read as if the second sub-paragraph (dis-applying the legitimate interests gateway in relation to public authorities) were omitted".



- i) **Legitimate interest test**: Whether a legitimate interest is being pursued in the request for information;
- ii) **Necessity test**: Whether disclosure of the information is necessary to meet the legitimate interest in question;
- iii) **Balancing test**: Whether the above interests override the legitimate interest(s) or fundamental rights and freedoms of the data subject.
- 66. The Commissioner considers that the test of `necessity' under stage (ii) must be met before the balancing test under stage (iii) is applied.

Legitimate interests

- 67. In considering any legitimate interest(s) in the disclosure of the requested information under the FOIA, the Commissioner recognises that such interest(s) can include broad general principles of accountability and transparency for their own sakes, as well as case-specific interests.
- 68. Further, a wide range of interests may be legitimate interests. They can be the requester's own interests or the interests of third parties, and commercial interests as well as wider societal benefits. They may be compelling or trivial, but trivial interests may be more easily overridden in the balancing test.
- 69. The Commissioner considers that parents would have a legitimate interest in knowing how many pupils are being withdrawn for a year group at the end of a school year, whether this is because those pupils are leaving the area, have moved to a different school or for another reason. Parents are likely to have an interest in knowing what pupil turnover is at a School.

Is disclosure necessary?

- 70. 'Necessary' means more than desirable but less than indispensable or absolute necessity. Accordingly, the test is one of reasonable necessity and involves consideration of alternative measures which may make disclosure of the requested information unnecessary. Disclosure under the FOIA must therefore be the least intrusive means of achieving the legitimate aim in question.
- 71. The Commissioner has not been made aware of any other means by which this information has been made available or could be ascertained. As she has accepted there is a legitimate interest in this information she



therefore considers that disclosure of this information is necessary to satisfy the legitimate interest.

Balance between legitimate interests and the data subject's interests or fundamental rights and freedoms

- 72. It is necessary to balance the legitimate interests in disclosure against the data subject's interests or fundamental rights and freedoms. In doing so, it is necessary to consider the impact of disclosure. For example, if the data subject would not reasonably expect that the information would be disclosed to the public under the FOIA in response to the request, or if such disclosure would cause unjustified harm, their interests or rights are likely to override legitimate interests in disclosure.
- 73. In considering this balancing test, the Commissioner has taken into account the following factors:
 - the potential harm or distress that disclosure may cause;
 - whether the information is already in the public domain;
 - whether the information is already known to some individuals;
 - whether the individual expressed concern to the disclosure; and
 - the reasonable expectations of the individual.
- 74. In the Commissioner's view, a key issue is whether the individuals concerned have a reasonable expectation that their information will not be disclosed. These expectations can be shaped by factors such as an individual's general expectation of privacy, whether the information relates to an employee in their professional role or to them as individuals, and the purpose for which they provided their personal data.
- 75. It is also important to consider whether disclosure would be likely to result in unwarranted damage or distress to that individual.
- 76. The Commissioner notes that when a parent/carer makes the decision to remove their children from school they will do so with an expectation that any reasons for this will be not be disclosed. However, the fact that a child has been withdrawn on its own is not likely to carry the same expectation as this information will likely be visible to any parents whose children continue at the School by virtue of the fact the child is no longer there the next year.
- 77. The Commissioner is not clear as to how disclosing numbers of children withdrawn would lead to distress to the individuals or their parents as there are a variety of reasons for withdrawal and these would not be known. The Commissioner would argue that parents are likely to have a reasonable expectation that the fact the children have been withdrawn



will become known in the wider school community once the withdrawal has happened due to their absence.

78. Based on the above factors, the Commissioner has determined that there is sufficient legitimate interest to outweigh the data subjects' fundamental rights and freedoms. The Commissioner therefore considers that there is an Article 6 basis for processing and so the disclosure of the information would be lawful.

Fairness and transparency

- 79. Even though it has been demonstrated that disclosure of the requested information under the FOIA would be lawful, it is still necessary to show that disclosure would be fair and transparent under the principle (a).
- 80. In relation to fairness, the Commissioner considers that if the disclosure passes the legitimate interest test for lawful processing, it is highly likely that disclosure will be fair for the same reasons.
- 81. The requirement for transparency is met because as a public authority, the School is subject to the FOIA.

The Commissioner's view

82. In this instance, the Commissioner has decided that the School has failed to demonstrate that the exemption at section 40(2) is engaged in relation to the numbers of children withdrawn from the different Year groups.

Section 1 – information held

- 83. The final part of the information request relates to the reasons for withdrawal given by parents when notifying the School. Initially the School stated that this information was being withheld on the basis of section 40 of the FOIA. However during the course of the Commissioner's investigation the School stated that it did not hold information on reasons for withdrawal for pupils across the School or by Year group.
- 84. In cases where the Commissioner is considering whether information is held she will follow the lead of a number of Information Tribunal decisions and apply the civil standard of the balance of probabilities.
- 85. In applying this test the Commissioner will consider the scope, quality and thoroughness of any searches, or as in the circumstances of this complaint, other explanations offered as to why information is not held.



- 86. The Commissioner asked the School to explain why reasons for withdrawal were not held, particularly as initially the School had stated this information was being withheld.
- 87. The School confirmed that following the complaint from the Commissioner it reviewed the response and clarified that this information was in fact not held. The School explained that when reasons for withdrawal are given there is no set process and sometimes this is done verbally in which case there is no written record.
- 88. For those cases where written withdrawals are received, either by email or letter, the School would retain this only until the end of the term or year as the letter would be placed in the pupil's file and handed to the their next school. The School states it does not retain this information and therefore at the time the request was made the information on withdrawals was not held. The School further explained that it cannot record reasons for withdrawal on its database as there is no capacity to do so on the system.
- 89. The Commissioner has considered the explanations given by the School and she is satisfied that on the balance of probabilities it does not hold this information. Whilst the School may have known the reasons for withdrawal the recorded information that would have detailed this was not likely to still be held by the School at the time of the request. The explanations given by the School, although not particularly detailed, do clearly set out the process the School follows for recording this information and passing it to new schools.
- 90. The Commissioner has no reason to doubt the statements made by the School on this subject and accepts these explanations seem reasonable and logical and the information on reasons for pupil withdrawal were not held by the School at the time of the request.



Right of appeal

91. Either party has the right to appeal against this decision notice to the First-tier Tribunal (Information Rights). Information about the appeals process may be obtained from:

First-tier Tribunal (Information Rights) GRC & GRP Tribunals, PO Box 9300, LEICESTER, LE1 8DJ

Tel: 0300 1234504 Fax: 0870 739 5836 Email: <u>GRC@hmcts.gsi.gov.uk</u> Website: <u>www.justice.gov.uk/tribunals/general-regulatory-</u> <u>chamber</u>

- 92. If you wish to appeal against a decision notice, you can obtain information on how to appeal along with the relevant forms from the Information Tribunal website.
- 93. Any Notice of Appeal should be served on the Tribunal within 28 (calendar) days of the date on which this decision notice is sent.

Signed

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