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Request

You asked us:

"Q1. Following the Dransfield v ICO & Devon County Council [2015] ruling, how many times has the ICO's decision to uphold each respective local authority's decision under Section 14 "vexatious" been contested and subsequently pursued to the First Tire Tribunal (FTT) by each respective complainant after the 2015 ruling?

Q2. For each subsequent case since 2015, in which the ICO have looked to defend their decision at the FTT, please can you provide the case reference and year for each such decision being contested and challenged at the FTT by the complainant against the ICO."

We received your request on 28 May.

We have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the FOIA).

Our response

We do hold information within the scope of your request. I have provided a summary in the attached spreadsheet of cases since 2015 in which a complainant has submitted an appeal to the FTT following an upheld ICO Decision Notice concerning S.14 FOIA (both solely and alongside other sections/ regulations).

Please note that this only includes closed cases, we are not able to include the data for open cases because these are not logged in such a way that we would be able to locate this information without breaching the costs limit under s.12 FOIA.



Next steps

You can ask us to review our response. Please let us know in writing if you want us to carry out a review. Please do so within 40 working days.

You can read a copy of our full review procedure <u>here</u>.

If we perform a review but you are still dissatisfied, you can complain to the ICO as regulator of the FOIA. This complaint will be handled just like a complaint made to the ICO about any other public authority.

You can raise a complaint through our website

Your information

Our <u>Privacy notice</u> explains what we do with the personal data you provide to us, and set out your rights. Our retention schedule can be found <u>here</u>.

Yours sincerely



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