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## Request

You asked us:

"does the ICO publish statistics quarterly about its own FOI performance, in line with paragraph 8.5 of the Section 45 Code?

If not, may I have the most recent two years' worth of statistics meeting the parameters of paragraph 8.5?"

We received your request on 19 July 2023. We have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the FOIA).

### Our response

We are not presently publishing our quarterly stats about our FOI performance. Accordingly, I have took your request forward on the basis of providing you with the most recent two years' worth of statistics and I can confirm that we do hold information in scope of your request.

I have attached three CSV files which contain the information as required by paragraph 8.5 of the Section 45 Code except the number of internal reviews which we publish in our annual report (page 87 2022/23, page 62 2021/22, and page 60 2020/21). As the number of internal reviews is already proactively published, it is technically exempt from disclosure under s.21 FOIA. However, I hope the page numbers and links help you locate the relevant information.

In the attached CSV files, I have provided data as far back as Q1 2020/21 and as current as Q2 2023/24. I appreciate this is slightly more than you have asked for. However, the information was present in the report provided to me and I don't consider there is an issue disclosing additional information which may be of



interest to you. I would caution that the YTD information is likely subject to change as we continue to handle requests, respond to internal reviews, etc.

Finally, although we are not presently proactively publishing this information, we currently have a programme of work in place to start publishing this information each quarter.

I hope you find the information useful.

# **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 <u>raise a complaint through our website</u>.

### 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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