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## Request

*"On 6th December 2023 a statutory Code of Practice for Ethical Policing came in to force which included a statutory Duty of Candour. Which Duty is highly likely that it will trigger the need for consultation with us under Article 36(4).*

*Can you please confirm that an appropriate consultation took place prior to 6th December 2023 and if so, please provide copies of all relevant documents created and any guidance which flickered that consultation.*

*If no such consultation took place, please provide a copy of the note of reasons why not."*

We received your request on 29 August 2024.

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

## Our response

This information is not held. We did not take part in the consultation process for the 2023 Code of Practice for Ethical Policing.

If there was a discussion about whether we should respond or not this would have taken place by email. The consultation closed in April 2023, and emails are deleted after 12 months in line with our retention schedule. I have consulted with the relevant teams and they have confirmed that if such a conversation took place this was not retained.

## 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](#) on our website.

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 [privacy notice](#) explains what we do with the personal data you provide to us, and sets out [your rights](#). Our [Retention and Disposal Policy](#) details how long we keep information.

Yours sincerely



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