

# Freedom of Information Act 2000

# **CHAPTER 36**

# FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

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- 1 Any government department other than the Office for Standards in...
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  - 2 The House of Commons, in respect of information other...
  - 3 The House of Lords, in respect of information other...
  - 4 The Northern Ireland Assembly.
  - 5 The National Assembly for Wales, in respect of information other...
- 5A the Welsh Assembly Government.
  - 6 The armed forces of the Crown, except—

Part II — LOCAL GOVERNMENT

## England and Wales

- 7 A local authority within the meaning of the Local Government...
- 8 The Greater London Authority.
- 9 The Common Council of the City of London, in respect...
- 10 The Sub-Treasurer of the Inner Temple or the Under-Treasurer of...
- 11 The Council of the Isles of Scilly.
- 12 A parish meeting constituted under section 13 of the Local...
- 13 Any charter trustees constituted under section 246 of the Local...
- 14 A fire and rescue authority constituted by a scheme under...
- 15 A waste disposal authority established by virtue of an order...
- 15A An authority established for an area in England by an...
  - 16 A port health authority constituted by an order under section...
  - 17 A licensing planning committee constituted under section 119 of the...
  - 18 An internal drainage board which is continued in being by...
  - 19 A joint authority established under Part IV of the Local...
- 19A An economic prosperity board established under section 88 of the...
- 19B A combined authority established under section 103 of that Act....
- 20 The London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority.
- 21 A joint fire authority established by virtue of an order...
- 22 A body corporate established pursuant to an order under section...
- 23 A body corporate established pursuant to an order under section...
- 24 The Broads Authority established by section 1 of the Norfolk...
- 25 A joint committee constituted in accordance with section 102(1)(b) of...
- 26 A joint board which is continued in being by virtue...
- 27 A joint authority established under section 21 of the Local...
- 28 A Passenger Transport Executive for an integrated transport area for...
- 29 Transport for London.
- 30 The London Transport Users Committee.

- A joint board the constituent members of which consist of...
- 32 A National Park authority established by an order under section...
- 33 A joint planning board constituted for an area in Wales...
- 34 A magistrates' court committee established under section 27 of the...
- The London Development Agency.35A A local fisheries committee for a sea fisheries district...
- An inshore fisheries and conservation authority for a district established...

#### Northern Ireland

A district council within the meaning of the Local Government...

Part III — THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE

### England and Wales

- 36A A Strategic Health Authority established under section 13 of the...
- 37 A Health Authority established under section 8 of the National...
- 38 A special health authority established under section 28 of the...
- 39 A primary care trust established under section 18 of the...
- 39A A Local Health Board established under section 11 of the...
  - 40 A National Health Service trust established under section 25 of...
- 40A An NHS foundation trust.
  - 41 A Community Health Council established under section 182 of the...
- 41A A Patients' Forum established under section 237 of the National...
  - 42 The Dental Practice Board constituted under regulations made under section...
  - 43 The Public Health Laboratory Service Board constituted under Schedule 3...
- 43A Any person providing primary medical services , primary dental services...
- 44 Any person providing ...general medical services, general dental services,... general...
- 45 Any person providing personal medical services or personal dental services...
- 45A Any person providing local pharmaceutical services under—
- 45B The Commission for Patient and Public Involvement in Health.

#### Northern Ireland

- 46 A Health and Social Services Board established under Article 16...
- 47 A Health and Social Services Council established under Article 4...
- 48 A Health and Social Services Trust established under Article 10...
- 49 A special agency established under Article 3 of the Health...
- 50 The Northern Ireland Central Services Agency for the Health and...
- Any person providing primary medical services, general dental services, general...
- 51A The Regional Business Services Organisation established under section 14 of...
- 51B The Patient and Client Council established under section 16 of...
- 51C The Regional Health and Social Care Board established under section...
- 51D The Regional Agency for Public Health and Social Well-being established...
  - Part IV MAINTAINED SCHOOLS AND OTHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

### England and Wales

- 52 The governing body of— (a) a maintained school, as defined...
- 53 (1) The governing body of— (a) an institution within the...

#### Northern Ireland

- 54 (1) The managers of— (a) a controlled school, voluntary school...
- 55 (1) The governing body of— (a) a university receiving financial...
- Any person providing further education to whom grants, loans or...
  Part V POLICE

## England and Wales

- 57 A police authority established under section 3 of the Police...
- 58 The Metropolitan Police Authority established under section 5B of the...
- 59 A chief officer of police of a police force in...

#### Northern Ireland

- 60 The Northern Ireland Policing Board.
- 61 The Chief Constable of the Police Service of Northern Ireland....

## Miscellaneous

- 62 The British Transport Police.
- 63 The Ministry of Defence Police established by section 1 of...
- 63A The Civil Nuclear Police Authority.
- 63B The chief constable of the Civil Nuclear Constabulary.
- 64 Any person who— (a) by virtue of any enactment has...

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The Adjudication Panel for Wales. The Adjudicator for the Inland...

The Adjudicator for the Inland Revenue and Customs and Excise....

The Administration of Radioactive Substances Advisory Committee.

The Administrative Justice and Tribunals Council.

The Adult Learning Inspectorate.

... The Advisory Board on Family Law...

The Advisory Board on Restricted Patients.

The Advisory Board on the Registration of Homoeopathic Products.

The Advisory Committee for Cleaner Coal Technology.

The Advisory Committee for Disabled People in Employment and Training...

The Advisory Committee for the Public Lending Right.

...The Advisory Committee for Wales (in relation to the Environment...

The Advisory Committee on Advertising.

The Advisory Committee on Animal Feedingstuffs.

The Advisory Committee on Borderline Substances.

The Advisory Committee on Business and the Environment.

The Advisory Committee on Business Appointments.

The Advisory Committee on Conscientious Objectors.

The Advisory Committee on Consumer Products and the Environment.

The Advisory Committee on Dangerous Pathogens.

The Advisory Committee on Distinction Awards.

An Advisory Committee on General Commissioners of Income Tax.

The Advisory Committee on the Government Art Collection

The Advisory Committee on Hazardous Substances.

The Advisory Committee on Historic Wreck Sites.

An Advisory Committee on Justices of the Peace in England...

The Advisory Committee on the Microbiological Safety of Food.

... The Advisory Committee on NHS Drugs...

The Advisory Committee on Novel Foods and Processes.

The Advisory Committee on Organic Standards.

The Advisory Committee on Overseas Economic and Social Research.

The Advisory Committee on Packaging.

The Advisory Committee on Pesticides.

The Advisory Committee on Releases to the Environment.

The Advisory Committee on Statute Law.

The Advisory Committee on Telecommunications for the Disabled and Elderly....

The Advisory Council on Libraries.

The Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs.

The Advisory Council on Public Records.

The Advisory Group on Hepatitis.

The Advisory Council on Historical Manuscripts.

The Advisory Council on National Records and Archives.

The Advisory Group on Medical Countermeasures.

The Advisory Panel on Beacon Councils.

The Advisory Panel on Public Sector Information.

The Advisory Panel on Standards for the Planning Inspectorate.

The Aerospace Committee.

An Agricultural Dwelling House Advisory Committee.

An Agricultural Wages Board for England and Wales.

An Agricultural Wages Committee.

The Agriculture and Environment Biotechnology Commission.

The Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board.

The Airborne Particles Expert Group.

The Air Quality Expert Group.

The Alcohol Education and Research Council.

The All-Wales Medicines Strategy Group.

The Ancient Monuments Board for Wales.

The Animal Procedures Committee.

The Animal Welfare Advisory Committee.

...The Apple and Pear Research Council....

The Appointments Commission.

The Architects Registration Board.

The Armed Forces Pay Review Body.

The Arts and Humanities Research Council.

The Arts Council of England.

The Arts Council of Wales.

The Audit Commission for Local Authorities and the National Health...

The Auditor General for Wales.

The Authorised Conveyancing Practitioners Board.

The Bank of England, in respect of information held for...

The Better Regulation Task Force.

The Big Lottery Fund

The Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council.

The Board of the Pension Protection Fund.

Any Board of Visitors established under section 6(2) of the...

The Britain-Russia Centre and East-West Centre.

The British Association for Central and Eastern Europe.

The British Broadcasting Corporation, in respect of information held for

The British Coal Corporation.

The British Council.

The British Educational Communications and Technology Agency.

The British Hallmarking Council.

The British Library.

The British Museum.

The British Pharmacopoeia Commission.

The British Potato Council.

The British Railways Board.

British Shipbuilders.

The British Tourist Authority.

The British Transport Police Authority.

The British Waterways Board.

The British Wool Marketing Board.

The Broadcasting Standards Commission.

The Building Regulations Advisory Committee.

The Business Incubation Fund Investment Panel.

The Care Council for Wales.

The Care Quality Commission.

The Central Advisory Committee on War Pensions.

... The Central Council for Education and Training in Social Work...

The Central Police Training and Development Authority.

The Central Rail Users' Consultative Committee.

The Certification Officer.

The Channel Four Television Corporation, in respect of information held

The Chemical Weapons Convention National Authority Advisory Committee.

The Child Maintenance and Enforcement Commission.

The Children and Family Court Advisory and Support Service.

The Children's Commissioner.

The Children's Commissioner for Wales.

The Civil Aviation Authority.

The Civil Justice Council.

The Civil Procedure Rule Committee.

The Civil Service Appeal Board.

The Civil Service Commissioners.

The Coal Authority.

The Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment.

The Commission for Equality and Human Rights.

...The Commission for Health Improvement....

...Commission for Healthcare Audit and Inspection, in respect of information...

The Commission for Integrated Transport.

The Commission for Local Administration in England.

The Commission for Local Administration in Wales.

...The Commission for the New Towns....

The Commission for Racial Equality.

Commission for Rural Communities.

...Commission for Social Care Inspection, in respect of information held...

The Commissioner for Integrated Transport.

The Commissioner for Older People in Wales

The Commissioner for Public Appointments.

Commissioner for Parliamentary Investigations.

The Commissioners of Northern Lighthouses.

The Committee for Monitoring Agreements on Tobacco Advertising and Sponsorship....

The Committee of Investigation for Great Britain.

The Committee on Agricultural Valuation.

The Committee on Carcinogenicity of Chemicals in Food, Consumer Products...

The Committee on Chemicals and Materials of Construction For Use...

The Committee on Climate Change.

The Committee on Medical Aspects of Food and Nutrition Policy....

The Committee on Medical Aspects of Radiation in the Environment....

The Committee on Mutagenicity of Chemicals in Food, Consumer Products...

The Committee on Radioactive Waste Management.

The Committee on Safety of Devices.

The Committee on Standards in Public Life.

The Committee on Toxicity of Chemicals in Food, Consumer Products...

The Committee on the Medical Effects of Air Pollutants.

The Committee on the Safety of Medicines.

The Commonwealth Scholarship Commission in the United Kingdom.

Communications for Business.

The Community Development Foundation.

The Competition Commission, in relation to information held by it...

The Competition Service.

A conservation board established under section 86 of the Countryside...

The Construction Industry Training Board.

Consumer Communications for England.

The Consumer Council for Postal Services.

The Consumer Council for Water

...The Consumer Panel....

The Consumer Panel established under section 16 of the

Communications...

The consumers' committee for Great Britain appointed under section 19...

...The Council for Professions Supplementary to Medicine....

The Council for the Central Laboratory of the Research Councils....

The Council for Healthcare Regulatory Excellence.

The Council for Science and Technology.

The Council on Tribunals.

The Countryside Agency.

The Countryside Council for Wales.

A courts board established under section 4 of the Courts...

The Covent Garden Market Authority.

The Criminal Cases Review Commission.

The Criminal Injuries Compensation Appeals Panel, in relation to information...

The Criminal Injuries Compensation Authority.

The Criminal Justice Consultative Council.

The Criminal Procedure Rule Committee.

The Crown Court Rule Committee.

The Dartmoor Steering Group and Working Party.

The Darwin Advisory Committee.

The Defence Nuclear Safety Committee.

The Defence Scientific Advisory Council.

The Design Council.

...The Development Awareness Working Group....

The Diplomatic Service Appeal Board.

The Director of Fair Access to Higher Education.

The Disability Employment Advisory Committee.

The Disability Living Allowance Advisory Board.

The Disability Rights Commission.

The Disabled Persons Transport Advisory Committee.

The Distributed Generation Co-Ordinating Group.

The East of England Industrial Development Board.

The Economic and Social Research Council.

... The Education Transfer Council....

The Electoral Commission.

...The Energy Advisory Panel...

The Engineering Construction Industry Training Board.

The Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council.

The English National Board for Nursing, Midwifery and Health

Visiting....

English Nature.

The English Sports Council.

The English Tourist Board.

The Environment Agency.

The Equal Opportunities Commission.

The Ethnic Minority Business Forum.

The Expert Advisory Group on AIDS.

The Expert Group on Cryptosporidium in Water Supplies.

An Expert Panel on Air Quality Standards.

The Export Guarantees Advisory Council.

The Family Justice Council.

The Family Procedure Rule Committee.

The Family Proceedings Rules Committee.

The Farm Animal Welfare Council.

The Financial Reporting Advisory Board.

The Financial Services Authority.

The Fire Services Examination Board.

The Firearms Consultative Committee.

The Food Advisory Committee.

Food from Britain.

The Football Licensing Authority.

The Fuel Cell Advisory Panel.

The Fuel Poverty Advisory Group.

...The Further Education Funding Council For Wales...

The Gaelic Media Service, in respect of information held for...

The Gaming Board for Great Britain. Gambling Commission

Gangmasters Licensing Authority

The Gas and Electricity Consumer Council.

...The Gas Consumers Council...

The Gene Therapy Advisory Committee.

The General Chiropractic Council.

The General Dental Council.

The General Medical Council.

The General Optical Council.

The General Osteopathic Council.

The General Social Care Council.

The General Teaching Council for England.

The General Teaching Council for Wales.

The Genetic Testing and Insurance Committee.

The Government Hospitality Advisory Committee for the Purchase of Wine....

The Government Chemist.

The Government-Industry Forum on Non-Food Use of Crops.

The Great Britain-China Centre.

The Health and Safety Commission.

The Health and Safety Executive.

The Health Professions Council

The Health Protection Agency.

The Health Service Commissioner for England.

The Health Service Commissioner for Wales.

... The Hearing Aid Council. ...

Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Education and Training in Wales...

Her Majesty's Commissioners for Judicial Appointments.

The Higher Education Funding Council for England.

The Higher Education Funding Council for Wales.

The Hill Farming Advisory Committee.

The Hill Farming Advisory Sub-committee for Wales.

The Historic Buildings Council for Wales.

The Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission for England.

The Historic Royal Palaces Trust.

The Home-Grown Cereals Authority.

The Homes and Communities Agency.

...The Honorary Investment Advisory Committee....

The Horserace Betting Levy Board.

The Horserace Totalisator Board.

The Horticultural Development Council.

Horticulture Research International.

The House of Lords Appointments Commission.

Any housing action trust established under Part III of the...

... The Housing Corporation....

The Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority.

The Human Genetics Commission.

The Human Tissue Authority.

The Immigration Services Commissioner.

The Imperial War Museum.

The Independent Advisory Group on Teenage Pregnancy.

The Independent Board of Visitors for Military Corrective Training Centres....

The Independent Case Examiner for the Child Support Agency.

The Independent Groundwater Complaints Administrator.

The Independent Living Funds.

Any Independent Monitoring Board established under section 6(2) of the...

The Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority.

The Independent Police Complaints Commission.

The Independent Regulator of NHS Foundation Trusts.

The Independent Review Panel for Advertising.

The Independent Review Panel for Borderline Products.

The Independent Scientific Group on Cattle Tuberculosis.

The Independent Television Commission.

... The Indian Family Pensions Funds Body of Commissioners....

The Industrial Development Advisory Board.

The Industrial Injuries Advisory Council.

The Information Commissioner.

The Infrastructure Planning Commission.

Inland Waterways Amenity Advisory Council Inland Waterways

**Advisory Council** 

The Insolvency Rules Committee.

The Insurance Brokers Registration Council.

The Integrated Administration and Controls System Appeals Panel.

The Intellectual Property Advisory Committee.

Investors in People UK.

The Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation.

The Joint Nature Conservation Committee.

The Joint Prison/Probation Accreditation Panel.

The Judicial Appointments and Conduct Ombudsman.

The Judicial Appointments Commission.

The Judicial Studies Board.

The Know-How Fund Advisory Board.

The Land Registration Rule Committee.

The Law Commission.

The Learning and Skills Council for England.

The Legal Deposit Advisory Panel

The Legal Services Board.

The Legal Services Commission.

... The Legal Services Complaints Commissioner. ...

... The Legal Services Consultative Panel....

...The Legal Services Ombudsman....

...The Library and Information Services Council (Wales)....

The Local Better Regulation Office.

The Local Government Boundary Commission for England.

The Local Government Boundary Commission for Wales.

... The Local Government Commission for England....

A local probation board established under section 4 of the...

The London and South East Industrial Development Board.

The London Pensions Fund Authority.

The Low Pay Commission.

The Magistrates' Courts Rules Committee.

The Marine Management Organisation.

The Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission.

The Measurement Advisory Committee.

The Meat and Livestock Commission.

...The Medical Practices Committee....

The Medical Research Council.

...The Medical Workforce Standing Advisory Committee....

The Medicines Commission.

The Milk Development Council.

The Millennium Commission.

The Museum of London.

The National Army Museum.

The National Audit Office.

... The National Biological Standards Board (UK)....

The National Care Standards Commission.

The National Consumer Council.

The National Consumer Council.

The National Council for Education and Training for Wales.

The National Crime Squad.

The National Employers' Liaison Committee.

The National Employment Panel.

The National Endowment for Science, Technology and the Arts.

The National Expert Group on Transboundary Air Pollution.

The National Forest Company.

The National Gallery.

The National Heritage Memorial Fund.

The National Identity Scheme Commissioner.

The National Information Governance Board for Health and Social

The National Library of Wales.

The National Lottery Charities Board.

The National Lottery Commission.

The National Maritime Museum.

The National Museum of Science and Industry.

The National Museums and Galleries of Wales.

The National Museums and Galleries on Merseyside.

The National Policing Improvement Agency.

The National Portrait Gallery.

The National Radiological Protection Board.

Natural England.

The Natural Environment Research Council.

The Natural History Museum.

The New Deal Task Force.

The New Opportunities Fund.

The North East Industrial Development Board.

The Northern Ireland Judicial Appointments Ombudsman.

The North West Industrial Development Board.

The Nuclear Decommissioning Authority.

The Nuclear Research Advisory Council.

The Nursing and Midwifery Council.

The Occupational Pensions Regulatory Authority.

The Office of Communications.

The Office of the Health Professions Adjudicator.

The Office of Government Commerce.

The Office for Legal Complaints.

The Office of Manpower Economics.

Office for Tenants and Social Landlords.

The Oil and Pipelines Agency.

The Olympic Delivery Authority.

The Olympic Lottery Distributor

The Ombudsman for the Board of the Pension Protection Fund....

The OSO Board.

The Overseas Service Pensions Scheme Advisory Board.

The Panel on Standards for the Planning Inspectorate.

The Parliamentary Boundary Commission for England.

The Parliamentary Boundary Commission for Scotland.

The Parliamentary Boundary Commission for Wales.

The Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration.

The Parole Board.

The Particle Physics and Astronomy Research Council.

... The Patient Information Advisory Group. ...

The Pensions Compensation Board.

The Pensions Ombudsman.

The Pensions Regulator.

The Personal Accounts Delivery Authority

The Pesticide Residues Committee.

The Pesticides Forum.

The Pharmacists' Review Panel.

...The Place Names Advisory Committee...

The Poisons Board.

The Police Advisory Board for England and Wales.

The Police Complaints Authority.

The Police Information Technology Organisation.

The Police Negotiating Board.

The Police Senior Appointments Panel

The Political Honours Scrutiny Committee.

The Post Office.

... The Post Office Users Councils for Scotland, Wales and Northern...

... The Post Office Users National Council....

The Postgraduate Medical Education and Training Board.

The Prison Service Pay Review Body.

A probation trust.

The Property Advisory Group.

The Public Private Partnership Agreement Arbiter.

The Public Services Ombudsman for Wales

The Qualifications, Curriculum and Assessment Authority for Wales.

The Qualifications and Curriculum Development Agency

The Race Education and Employment Forum.

The Race Relations Forum.

The Radio Authority.

The Radioactive Waste Management Advisory Committee.

Any Rail Passengers' Committee established under section 2(2) of the...

A Regional Cultural Consortium.

Any regional development agency established under the Regional

Development Agencies...

Any regional flood defence committee.

The Registrar General for England and Wales.

The Registrar of Occupational and Personal Pension Schemes.

The Registrar of Public Lending Right.

Remploy Ltd.

The Renewable Energy Advisory Committee.

The Renewables Advisory Board.

Resource: The Council for Museums, Archives and Libraries.

The Review Board for Government Contracts.

The Review Body for Nursing Staff, Midwives, Health Visitors and...

The Review Body on Doctors and Dentists Remuneration.

The Reviewing Committee on the Export of Works of Art....

The Royal Air Force Museum.

The Royal Armouries.

The Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew.

The Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, in respect of information...

The Royal Commission on Ancient and Historical Monuments of

Wales....

The Royal Commission on Environmental Pollution.

The Royal Commission on Historical Manuscripts.

The Royal Hospital at Chelsea.

The Royal Military College of Science Advisory Council.

The Royal Mint Advisory Committee on the Design of Coins,...

The Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain, in respect of...

The School Teachers' Review Body.

The Scientific Advisory Committee on Nutrition.

The Scientific Committee on Tobacco and Health.

...The Scottish Advisory Committee on Telecommunications....

The Scottish Committee of the Administrative Justice and Tribunals

The Scottish Committee of the Council on Tribunals.

The Sea Fish Industry Authority.

The Security Industry Authority

The Senior Salaries Review Body.

The Sentencing Council for England and Wales.

The Sentencing Advisory Panel

The Sentencing Guidelines Council.

The Service Authority for the National Crime Squad.

Sianel Pedwar Cymru, in respect of information held for purposes...

Sir John Soane's Museum.

The Skills Task Force.

The Small Business Council.

The Small Business Investment Task Force.

The Social Care Institute for Excellence.

The social fund Commissioner appointed under section 65 of the...

The Social Security Advisory Committee.

The Social Services Inspectorate for Wales Advisory Group.

The South West Industrial Development Board.

The Specialist Advisory Committee on Antimicrobial Research.

The Spongiform Encephalopathy Advisory Committee.

The Sports Council for Wales.

The Standards Board for England.

The Standing Advisory Committee on Industrial Property.

The Standing Advisory Committee on Trunk Road Assessment.

The Standing Dental Advisory Committee.

The Standing Medical Advisory Committee.

The Standing Nursing and Midwifery Advisory Committee.

The Standing Pharmaceutical Advisory Committee.

The Statistics Commission.

The Steering Committee on Pharmacy Postgraduate Education.

The Strategic Investment Board.

The Strategic Rail Authority.

The subsidence adviser appointed under section 46 of the Coal...

The Substance Misuse Advisory Panel.

The Sustainable Development Commission.

...The Sustainable Development Education Panel....

The Sustainable Energy Policy Advisory Board.

The Tate Gallery.

The TB Advisory Group

The Teacher Training Agency.

The Technical Advisory Board.

The Theatres Trust.

The Traffic Commissioners, in respect of information held by them...

The Training and Development Agency for Schools.

The Treasure Valuation Committee.

The trustee corporation established by section 75 of the Pensions...

The UK Advisory Panel for Health Care Workers Infected with...

The UK Chemicals Stakeholder Forum.

The UK Commission for Employment and Skills

The UK Sports Council.

The United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority.

...The United Kingdom Central Council for Nursing, Midwifery and Health

The United Kingdom Register of Organic Food Standards.

The United Kingdom Xenotransplantation Interim Regulatory Authority.

The University for Industry.

The Unlinked Anonymous Serosurveys Steering Group.

The Unrelated Live Transplant Regulatory Authority.

...The Urban Regeneration Agency....

The Valuation Tribunal Service.

The verderers of the New Forest, in respect of information...

The Veterinary Products Committee.

The Veterinary Residues Committee.

The Victoria and Albert Museum.

The Wales Centre for Health.

...The Wales New Deal Advisory Task Force....

The Wales Tourist Board.

The Wallace Collection.

The War Pensions Committees.

The Water Regulations Advisory Committee.

The Welsh Administration Ombudsman.

...The Welsh Advisory Committee on Telecommunications....

The Welsh Committee for Professional Development of Pharmacy.

The Welsh Committee of the Administrative Justice and Tribunals

The Welsh Dental Committee.

The Welsh Development Agency.

The Welsh Industrial Development Advisory Board.

The Welsh Language Board.

The Welsh Medical Committee.

...The Welsh National Board for Nursing, Midwifery and Health

Visiting.....

The Welsh Nursing and Midwifery Committee.

The Welsh Optometric Committee.

The Welsh Pharmaceutical Committee.

The Welsh Scientific Advisory Committee.

The Westminster Foundation for Democracy.

The West Midlands Industrial Development Board.

The Wilton Park Academic Council.

The Wine Standards Board of the Vintners' Company.

The Women's National Commission.

The Yorkshire and the Humber and the East Midlands Industrial...

The Youth Justice Board for England and Wales.

The Zoos Forum.

Part VII — OTHER PUBLIC BODIES AND OFFICES: NORTHERN IRELAND

An advisory committee established under paragraph 25 of the Health...

An Advisory Committee on General Commissioners of Income Tax (Northern...

The Advisory Committee on Justices of the Peace in Northern...

...The Advisory Committee on Juvenile Court Lay Panel (Northern Ireland)....

The Advisory Committee on Pesticides for Northern Ireland.

...The Agricultural Research Institute of Northern Ireland....

The Agricultural Wages Board for Northern Ireland.

The Agri-food and Biosciences Institute

The Arts Council of Northern Ireland.

The Assembly Ombudsman for Northern Ireland.

The Attorney General for Northern Ireland.

The Belfast Harbour Commissioners.

The Board of Trustees of National Museums and Galleries of...

...Boards of Visitors and Visiting Committees....

The Boundary Commission for Northern Ireland.

A central advisory committee established under paragraph 24 of the...

The Certification Officer for Northern Ireland.

The Charities Advisory Committee.

The Charity Commission for Northern Ireland

The Chief Electoral Officer for Northern Ireland.

The Chief Inspector of Criminal Justice in Northern Ireland.

The Civil Service Commissioners for Northern Ireland.

Comhairle na Gaelscolaíochta.

The Commission for Victims and Survivors for Northern Ireland

The Commissioner for Children and Young People for Northern Ireland...

The Commissioner for Public Appointments for Northern Ireland.

## The Commissioner for Victims and Survivors for Northern Ireland

The Construction Industry Training Board.

The consultative Civic Forum referred to in section 56(4) of...

The Council for Catholic Maintained Schools.

The Council for Nature Conservation and the Countryside.

The County Court Rules Committee (Northern Ireland).

The Criminal Injuries Compensation Appeals Panel for Northern Ireland, in...

A development corporation established under Part III of the Strategic...

The Disability Living Allowance Advisory Board for Northern Ireland.

The Distinction and Meritorious Service Awards Committee.

A district policing partnership.

The Drainage Council for Northern Ireland.

An Education and Library Board established under Article 3 of...

Enterprise Ulster.

The Equality Commission for Northern Ireland.

The Family Proceedings Rules Committee (Northern Ireland).

...The Fire Authority for Northern Ireland....

...The Fisheries Conservancy Board for Northern Ireland....

The General Consumer Council for Northern Ireland.

The General Teaching Council for Northern Ireland.

The Governors of the Armargh Observatory and Planetarium.

The Harbour of Donaghadee Commissioners.

The Health and Safety Agency for Northern Ireland.

The Historic Buildings Council.

The Historic Monuments Council.

The Independent Assessor of Military Complaints Procedures in Northern Ireland....

The Independent Commissioner for Holding Centres.

An independent monitoring board appointed under section 10 of the...

The Independent Reviewer of the Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions) Act....

...The Industrial Development Board for Northern Ireland....

...The Industrial Research and Technology Unit....

Invest Northern Ireland

...The Juvenile Justice Board....

The Labour Relations Agency.

...The Laganside Corporation....

...The Law Reform Advisory Committee for Northern Ireland....

The Lay Observer for Northern Ireland.

... The Learning and Skills Advisory Board. ...

The Legal Aid Advisory Committee (Northern Ireland).

... The Life Sentence Review Commissioners appointed under Article 3...

The Livestock & Meat Commission for Northern Ireland.

...The Local Enterprise Development Unit....

The Local Government Staff Commission.

The Londonderry Port and Harbour Commissioners.

The Magistrates' Courts Rules Committee (Northern Ireland).

... The Mental Health Commission for Northern Ireland....

...The Northern Ireland Advisory Committee on Telecommunications....

The Northern Ireland Audit Office.

The Northern Ireland Authority for Utility Regulation.

The Northern Ireland Building Regulations Advisory Committee.

The Northern Ireland Civil Service Appeal Board.

The Northern Ireland Commissioner for Complaints.

The Northern Ireland Community Relations Council.

...The Northern Ireland Consumer Committee for Electricity....

The Northern Ireland Council for the Curriculum, Examinations and Assessment....

...The Northern Ireland Council for Postgraduate Medical and Dental Education......

The Northern Ireland Court of Judicature Rules Committee.

The Northern Ireland Crown Court Rules Committee.

...The Northern Ireland Economic Council....

The Northern Ireland Events Company.

The Northern Ireland Fire and Rescue Service Board

The Northern Ireland Fishery Harbour Authority.

The Northern Ireland Health and Personal Social Services Regulation and

The Northern Ireland Higher Education Council.

The Northern Ireland Housing Executive.

The Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission.

The Northern Ireland Insolvency Rules Committee.

The Northern Ireland Judicial Appointments Commission.

The Northern Ireland Law Commission.

The Northern Ireland Legal Services Commission.

The Northern Ireland Library Authority

The Northern Ireland Local Government Officers' Superannuation Committee.

The Northern Ireland Museums Council.

...The Northern Ireland Pig Production Development Committee....

The Northern Ireland Practice and Education Council for Nursing and...

The Northern Ireland Social Care Council.

... The Northern Ireland Supreme Court Rules Committee....

The Northern Ireland Tourist Board.

The Northern Ireland Transport Holding Company.

...The Northern Ireland Water Council....

...Obstetrics Committee. ...

The Parades Commission.

Parole Commissioners for Northern Ireland

The Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland, in respect of information...

The Poisons Board (Northern Ireland).

The Police Ombudsman for Northern Ireland.

The Probation Board for Northern Ireland.

The Rural Development Council for Northern Ireland.

The Sentence Review Commissioners appointed under section 1 of the...

The social fund Commissioner appointed under Article 37 of the...

The Sports Council for Northern Ireland.

The Staff Commission for Education and Library Boards.

The Statistics Advisory Committee.

The Statute Law Committee for Northern Ireland.

A sub-group established under section 21 of the Police (Northern...

...The Training and Employment Agency....

Ulster Supported Employment Ltd.

The Warrenpoint Harbour Authority.

The Waste Management Advisory Board.

The Youth Council for Northern Ireland

SCHEDULE 2 — The Commissioner and the Tribunal

Part I — Provision consequential on s. 18(1) and (2)

#### General

- 1 (1) Any reference in any enactment, instrument or document to...
- 1A The Office for Standards in Education, Children's Services and Skills,...
  - 2 (1) Any reference in this Act or in any instrument...

Public Records Act 1958 (c. 51)

3 (1) In Part II of the Table in paragraph 3...

Parliamentary Commissioner Act 1967 (c. 13)

- 4 In Schedule 2 to the Parliamentary Commissioner Act 1967 (departments...
- 5 In Schedule 4 to that Act (tribunals exercising administrative functions),...

Superannuation Act 1972 (c. 11)

6 In Schedule 1 to the Superannuation Act 1972 (employment with...

Consumer Credit Act 1974 (c. 39)

7 In section 159 of the Consumer Credit Act 1974 (correction...

House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975 (c. 24)

8 (1) In Part II of Schedule 1 to the House...

Northern Ireland Assembly Disqualification Act 1975 (c. 25)

9 (1) In Part II of Schedule 1 to the Northern...

Tribunals and Inquiries Act 1992 (c. 53)

10 In paragraph 14 of Part I of Schedule 1 to...

Judicial Pensions and Retirement Act 1993 (c. 8)

- 11 In Schedule 5 to the Judicial Pensions and Retirement Act...
- 12 In Schedule 7 to that Act (retirement dates: transitional provisions),...

Data Protection Act 1998 (c. 29)

- 13 (1) Section 6 of the Data Protection Act 1998 (the...
- 14 In section 70(1) of that Act (supplementary definitions)—
- 15 (1) Schedule 5 to that Act (the Data Protection Commissioner...

Part II — AMENDMENTS RELATING TO EXTENSION OF FUNCTIONS OF COMMISSIONER AND TRIBUNAL

## Interests represented by lay members of Tribunal

16 In section 6(6) of the Data Protection Act 1998 (lay...

Expenses incurred under this Act excluded in calculating fees

17 In section 26(2) of that Act (fees regulations), in paragraph...

Information provided to Commissioner or Tribunal

- 18 In section 58 of that Act (disclosure of information to...
- 19 (1) Section 59 of that Act (confidentiality of information) is...

#### Deputy commissioners

20 (1) Paragraph 4 of Schedule 5 to that Act (officers...

Exercise of Commissioner's functions by others

21 (1) Paragraph 5 of Schedule 5 to that Act (exercise...

#### Money

22 In paragraph 9(1) of Schedule 5 to that Act (money)...

SCHEDULE 3 — Powers of entry and inspection

# Issue of warrants

- 1 (1) If a circuit judge or a District Judge (Magistrates'...
- 2 (1) A judge shall not issue a warrant under this...
- 3 A judge who issues a warrant under this Schedule shall...

# Execution of warrants

- 4 A person executing a warrant issued under this Schedule may...
- 5 A warrant issued under this Schedule shall be executed at...
- 6 (1) If the premises in respect of which a warrant...
- 7 (1) A person seizing anything in pursuance of a warrant...

# Matters exempt from inspection and seizure

- 8 The powers of inspection and seizure conferred by a warrant...
- 9 (1) Subject to the provisions of this paragraph, the powers...
- 10 If the person in occupation of any premises in respect...

# Return of warrants

11 A warrant issued under this Schedule shall be returned to...

#### Offences

12 Any person who— (a) intentionally obstructs a person in the...

#### Vessels, vehicles etc.

13 In this Schedule "premises" includes any vessel, vehicle, aircraft or...

#### Scotland and Northern Ireland

- 14 In the application of this Schedule to Scotland—
- 15 In the application of this Schedule to Northern Ireland—

# SCHEDULE 4 — Appeal proceedings: amendments of Schedule 6 to Data Protection Act 1998

# Constitution of Tribunal in national security cases

- 1 In paragraph 2(1) of Schedule 6 to the Data Protection...
- 2 For paragraph 3 of that Schedule there is substituted— The Tribunal shall be duly constituted— (a) for an appeal...

## Constitution of Tribunal in other cases

3 (1) Paragraph 4 of that Schedule (constitution of Tribunal in...

# Rules of procedure

4 (1) Paragraph 7 of that Schedule (rules of procedure) is...

# SCHEDULE 5 — Amendments of public records legislation Part I — AMENDMENTS OF PUBLIC RECORDS ACT 1958

## Functions of Advisory Council on Public Records

1 In section 1 of the Public Records Act 1958 (general...

## Access to public records

- 2 (1) Section 5 of that Act (access to public records)...
- 3 Schedule 2 of that Act (enactments prohibiting disclosure of information...

## Power to extend meaning of "public records"

- 4 In Schedule 1 to that Act (definition of public records)...
  - Part II AMENDMENT OF PUBLIC RECORDS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1923
- 5 After section 5 of the Public Records Act (Northern Ireland)...

# SCHEDULE 6 — Further amendments of Data Protection Act 1998

## Request by data controller for further information

1 In section 7 of the Data Protection Act 1998 (right...

#### Parliament

- 2 After section 35 of that Act there is inserted—Parliamentary...
- 3 After section 63 of that Act there is inserted— Application...
- 4 In Schedule 2 to that Act (conditions relevant for the...
- 5 In Schedule 3 to that Act (conditions relevant for the...

#### Honours

6 In Schedule 7 to that Act (miscellaneous exemptions) in paragraph...

## Legal professional privilege

7 In paragraph 10 of that Schedule (legal professional privilege), for...

## Extension of transitional exemption

8 In Schedule 14 to that Act (transitional provisions), in paragraph...

## SCHEDULE 7 — Disclosure of information by ombudsmen

# The Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration

- 1 At the end of section 11 of the Parliamentary Commissioner...
- 2 After section 11A of that Act there is inserted—Disclosure...

The Commissions for Local Administration in England and Wales

- 3 In section 32 of the Local Government Act 1974 (law...
- 4 After section 33 of that Act there is inserted—Disclosure...

#### The Health Service Commissioners

- 5 At the end of section 15 of the Health Service...
- 6 After section 18 of that Act there is inserted—Disclosure...

#### The Welsh Administration Ombudsman

- 7 In Schedule 9 to the Government of Wales Act 1998...
- 8 After paragraph 27 of that Schedule there is inserted—Disclosure...

# The Northern Ireland Commissioner for Complaints

- 9 At the end of Article 21 of the Commissioner for...
- 10 After that Article there is inserted—Disclosure of information to...

#### The Assembly Ombudsman for Northern Ireland

- 11 At the end of Article 19 of the Ombudsman (Northern...
- 12 After that Article there is inserted—Disclosure of information to...

# The Commissioner for Local Administration in Scotland

13 In section 30 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1975...

#### SCHEDULE 8 — Repeals

- Part I REPEAL COMING INTO FORCE ON PASSING OF ACT
- Part II REPEALS COMING INTO FORCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH
  - **SECTION 87(2)**
- Part III REPEALS COMING INTO FORCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 87(3)

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- S.I. 2011/892 art. 2 3 Commencement Order
- S.R. 2010/113 art. 2 commences (2002 c. 26)