

**Reference: 1946883** 

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# Freedom of Information request: Right to know request

Thank you for your request for information about Ofcom's webinar on 23 January 2025 about its Technology Notice powers and consultation.

We received this request on 22 January 2025 and we have considered your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("the FOI Act").

## Your request

Of compresented a webinar at 3pm of 23 January 2025 on its technology notice powers and consultation, which included a presentation and Q&A. Please can Of comprovide:

- A copy of its recording and/or transcript of this session
- A copy of any documented information Ofcom has retained on the questions that were asked and the answers that were given by Ofcom. All questions that were asked were capable of being anonymised so no personal data of attendees should need to be disclosed.

## Our response

We hold some information in scope of your request. Please see attached:

- 1. a document containing the questions submitted prior to, and during, the Technology Notices webinar;
- a link for the recording of that webinar <u>Technology Notices webinar January 2025</u>. Please
  note that the recording was started after a short introduction from Ofcom, which is why the
  beginning of the recording starts in the middle of the Ofcom employee speaking; and
- 3. a transcript of the webinar which excludes personal information. Please note that this transcript is automatically generated and does seem to have a few inaccuracies therefore you should refer to the recording above.

We do not hold written answers to the questions referred to in 1 above but the recording provided includes some of the answers to the pre-submitted questions that were given at the beginning of the webinar.

The recording has been cropped to remove the side panel that included names of Ofcom employees who were presenting and webinar attendees. We consider that these names are exempt from disclosure under section 40(2) of the FOI Act. Section 40(2) of the FOI Act provides that personal data which relates to persons other than the requester is exempt where, among other things, its

disclosure would contravene any of the data protection principles in the UK General Data Protection Regulation and the Data Protection Act 2018. Those principles include that personal data must be processed lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner. Section 40(2) is an absolute exemption under the FOI Act and is not subject to a public interest test.

We hope this information is helpful. If you have any further queries, then please send them to <a href="mailto:information.requests@ofcom.org.uk">information.requests@ofcom.org.uk</a> – quoting the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely,

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#### Request an internal review

If you are unhappy with the response you have received to your request for information, or think that your request was refused without a reason valid under the law, you may ask for an internal review. If you do, it will be subject to an independent review within Ofcom. We will either uphold the original decision, or reverse or modify it.

If you would like to ask us to carry out an internal review, you should get in touch within two months of the date of this letter. There is no statutory deadline for us to complete our internal review, and the time it takes will depend on the complexity of the request. But we will try to complete the review within 20 working days (or no more than 40 working days in exceptional cases) and keep you informed of our progress. Please email the Information Requests team (information.requests@ofcom.org.uk) to request an internal review.

#### Taking it further

If you are unhappy with the outcome of our internal review, then you have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner's Office.