

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

DISCLOSURE LOG

Audit Scotland receives many information requests on a daily basis and we provide a wide range of information to people who contact us. We also proactively publish the results of our work in the form of reports for the Auditor General and the Accounts Commission and issue press releases on these. Additionally, a wide range of information is available through our publication scheme.

Some requests will be less straightforward to deal with and this log contains information which has been released in response to Freedom of Information (FOI) requests. The number of these requests will not reflect the true volume of requests we receive and the amount of information we routinely provide.

Request Date	Information requested	Information provided	
27/12/2016	All communications (including attachments in emails) with external bodies and external individuals on the timing of publication of the 2015/16 audit of the Scottish Police Authority.	Partial	Some information withheld under FOISA sections 40 (a) & (b) and 38(1b)
16/11/2016	Original sales agreement relating to the sale of Westthorn recreational ground.	Partial	Some information withheld under FOISA sections 25 and 38(1b)
20/09/2016	Information relating to the sale of Westthorn recreational ground by Glasgow council.	Partial	Some Information requested not held therefore section 17 of FOISA was applied. Some information withheld under FOISA section 38(1b)
15/09/2016	A copy of Westthorn evaluation report.	Partial	Some information withheld under FOISA sections 33(1b) and 38(1b)
13/09/2016	A copy of valuation for Westthorn Recreational Ground.	Partial	Some information withheld under FOISA sections 33(1b) and 38(1b)
19/08/2016	East Dunbartonshire Council's inspection and maintenance of roads.	Partial	Some information withheld under FOISA section 38(1)(b)
24/05/16	All items of information contained in the draft version of the report published by Audit Scotland as "An overview of local government in Scotland 2016".	Partial	Some information withheld under FOISA sections 33(1b) and 38(1b)
22/04/2016	Copy of the Gardiner & Theobald report produced for Audit Scotland in 2000 and 2004.	Partial	Some information withheld under section 38 (1b) of FOISA.
13/04/2016	Request for information relating to Audit Scotland's 2016 pay award.	Partial	Some information withheld under section 38 (1b) of FOISA.
14/02/2016	Request for information on our review of money used in Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service.	Partial	Some Information requested not held therefore section 17 of FOISA was applied. Some information withheld under sections: 38(1b) & (2)(a)(i), 36 (1) and 40 (a) & 40 (b)
30/11/2015	Evidence and correspondence between All bodies as to how they demonstrated they were being pro active in identifying opportunities to deliver additional services.	Partial	Some information withheld under section 38 (1b) of FOISA.
24/11/2015	Two requests for a copy of the Celtic /Lennoxtown initiative SLA agreement.	Partial	Some information withheld under section 38 (1b) of FOISA.
06/11/2015	All information into financing of the	Partial	Some information withheld under

	Scottish Governments white paper 'Scotland's future'. Especially information regarding any enquiry into the funding of the white paper.		sections; 25, 30 (c) and 40 of FOISA.
19/10/2015	All submitted tenders for the Audit Scotland Web redevelopment Date of contract 31-03 2015.	Partial	Some information withheld under sections; 33 (1b) and 38 (1b) of FOISA.
31/05/2015	Copies of All correspondence to and from Audit Scotland in 2015 that related to failed community buy out of the Caste Toward Estate.	Partial	Some information withheld under sections; 25, 35 (1) (g), 33 (1b) and 38 (1b) of FOISA.
04/05/2015	Request for ICT documents including: ICT strategy BICT business plan ICT technical structure ICT structure ICT capital budgets and programmes.	Partial	Some information requested was not held therefore section 17 of FOISA was applied.
02/03/15	All information in the draft report "Scottish Government purchase of Glasgow Prestwick Airport". All comments from stakeholders in response to the draft. All draft press releases prepared to accompany the report.	Partial	Some information withheld under sections 33 (1b) and 40 (b) of FOISA.
08/01/15	All submitted tenders for the "Audit Scotland web redevelopment tender" published 07/11/2014.	Refused	Information withheld under section 30 (c) of FOISA.
12/11/14	Documents relating to Alleged wrongdoing at Glasgow university's research and enterprise.	Partial	Some information withheld under sections 35 (1) (g) and 35 (2) (a, b, c, d) and 38 (1) (b) of FOISA.
22/07/14	Copy of a draft report and comments on the 2012/13 Audit of North Glasgow college.	Partial	Some information withheld under section 38 (1b) of FOISA.
17/06/14	A copy of a report into Allegations at NL Leisure.	Partial	Some Information withheld under sections 38 (1b) and 33 (1b) of FOISA.
15/05/14	Information on the cost of the white paper titled Scotland's Future.	Refused	Information withheld under section 40 (a) of FOISA.
07/05/14	Copies of documents into a governance issue at the Central Scotland Police Authority.	Refused	Information withheld under sections 38 (1b) and 40 (a) of FOISA.
17/03/14	Copies of correspondence into a whistleblowing complaint.	Partial	Some information withheld under section 38 (1b) of FOISA.
03/02/14	Information on public interest disclosures received by Audit Scotland	Partial	Some information withheld under section 38 (1b) of FOISA.
18/12/13	Information on the City of Adelaide clipper ship.	Partial	Some information withheld under section 38 (1b) of FOISA.
09/12/13	Copy of financial information in our general ledger.	Refused	Information withheld under section 12 of FOISA.
05/12/13	Copies of correspondence with Argyll and Bute Council.	Partial	Some information withheld under sections 30 (a & b), 36 (1) (2), 38 (1b) and 40 (a & b) of FOISA.
05/08/13	Copy of a KPMG report into whistleblowing at Scottish Borders council.	Refused	Information withheld under section 40 (b) of FOISA.

22/07/13	Draft housing Scotland report submitted to the Scottish Government and All correspondence exchanges both ways on the draft report.	Partial	Some information withheld under section 38 (1b) of FOISA.
02/07/13	All the "if asked" questions and answers held by All facets of your media facing operations from the past year.	Partial	Some information withheld under section 30 c of FOISA.
12/06/13	A compiled list of All internal and external communications which relate to an investigation that Audit Scotland undertook.	Partial	Some information withheld under section 38 (1b) of FOISA.
22/03/13	Information between Argyll and Bute Council and Audit Scotland that referred to Actual Reality.	All	All the information requested was supplied.
26/10/2012	Internal report by PwC on Scottish Water.	Partial	Some information withheld under section 38 (1b) of FOISA.
25/09/2012	Draft report and press release plus any comments on the drafts made by others.	Partial	Some information withheld under section 38 (1b) of FOISA.
14/11/2011	Auditor's notes and any internal reports on Inverclyde's FOM.	Partial	Some information withheld under sections 33 1b and 38 1b of FOISA.
20/09/2011	Expenses information on the AGS and Chair of Accounts Commission.	Partial	Some information withheld under section 38 (1b) of FOISA.
28/04/2011	Background information to one of our reports exhibits.	Partial	Some information withheld under sections 30 (c) and 33 (1b) of FOISA.
25/03/2011	Requested copy of complaint information.	Partial	Personal information withheld under section 38 (1a) and (1b) of FOISA.
11/03/2010	Information included in Audit Scotland's draft report on The Gathering.	Partial	Some information withheld under section 36 (2) of FOISA.
11/03/2011	Information contained in the draft report by Audit Scotland for the Strathclyde Partnership for Transport.	Partial	Some information withheld under section 38 (1b) of FOISA.
11/03/2011	Information included in Audit Scotland's draft report on the Scottish Police Service Authority.	Partial	Some information withheld under section 38 (1b) of FOISA.
11/03/2011	Information contained in Audit Scotland's draft report for the progress report on planning for the delivery of the XX Commonwealth Games 2014.	Partial	Commercially sensitive information withheld under section 33 (1b) of FOISA.
10/03/2011	Requesting a copy of the successful tender for the research - Modernising the planning system-gathering service users views.	Partial	Commercially sensitive information withheld under section 33 (1b) and personal information under section 38 (1b) of FOISA.
28/09/2010	Request for compromise agreement between SIC and former Chief Executive Mr David Clark	Partial	Some information withheld under sections 36 (2) and 38 (1b) of FOISA.
16/09/2010	Information between Audit Scotland and Gills Harbour Trustees / Pentland Ferries Ltd in relation to our study into the NorthLink Ferries contract.	Partial	Personal information withheld under section 38 (1b) of FOISA.
09/06/2010	Information on a successful tender for Performance Audit Improvement – Review of Survey	Partial	Commercially sensitive information withheld under section 33 (1b) of FOISA.

	Methods.		
02/04/2010	Information on age, race, religion and nationality of applicants for the past two years.	Partial	Some information withheld under section 25 and 27 of FOISA.
24/02/2010	Information on the selection process for an Audit Scotland job.	Partial	Some information provided within the cost of compliance some refused on section 12 (1) excessive cost of compliance. Personal information was refused under 38 1a of FOISA however the information was provided under Data Protection Act 1998. Applicant also informed under section 17 that we did not hold some of the information requested.
16/02/2010	Copies of All expenses claims and receipts filed by the chief executive and senior directors of your organisation in the last three years (2007, 2008, 2009), including All claims for hospitality, travel, overseas travel, subsistence, and any other expenses.	Refused	Information refused under section 12 (1) excessive cost of compliance.
11/02/2010	Prison population statistics.	Refused	Request was refused under section 25 of FOISA - Information otherwise available
11/01/2010	Detailed breakdown of the salary of each member of staff.	Refused	Information was withheld under section 38 1(b) of FOISA.
20/10/2009	Information in relation to the audit of Scottish Borders Council.	All	Correspondence between the auditor and council.
25/02/2009	Requested internal audit reports from a previously supplied list.	All	All reports were provided
02/12/2008	Requested information on access rights to Mortar holes.	Partial	Most information was provided however a few details were redacted and withheld under section 30
24/10/2008	Requested information on travel Allowance and information behind a statutory report.	Partial	Most information was provided, however some was withheld under section 36 (1) and 36 (2)
10/09/2008	Five sets of information requested from 2001 relating to: overseas trips audited bodies travel expenses entertainment hospitality and gifts.	Partial	This request would have been refused under section 12.1 excessive cost, however we were able to provide partial information for the areas requested within the cost limit.
17/09/2008	Information requested on audit fees and charges.	Refused	Request was refused under section 25 Information otherwise available
03/06/2008	Requested information on the Cairngorm Funicular Railway.	Released	Information requested was provided
27/02/2008	Requesting information we hold on the Aberdeen Western Peripheral Route (AWPR).	Refused	Information was withheld under section 40 (b) while the audit was on-going.
18/02/2008	Requesting a review of our section 17 (1b) decision on not holding the information requested.	Refused	The review panel confirmed that the original decision was correct in that Audit Scotland did not hold the information requested and that the refusal under section 17 (1b) was properly applied.
04/12/2007	Requesting a review of our decision to withhold information under section 30 (c) regarding Inverclyde Council Pupil Transport Service.	Partial	Limited information released. Some information continued to be withheld under sections 38 (1b) and 39 .
29/11/2007	Requesting information gathered by the auditors on North Lanarkshire Council.	Refused	Information not held by Audit Scotland. Section 17 (1b) applies.

20/11/2007	Requesting the cost of residential care in East Lothian Council's care homes.	Refused	Information was withheld under section 40 while the audit was on-going.
13/11/2007	Requesting the information and complaints that we hold on the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman.	Partial	Limited information released. Some information withheld under sections 30 and 38 .
12/09/2007	Requesting the report produced by Inverclyde Council about Pupil Transport Services.	Partial	Limited information released. Some information withheld under section 30 (c) .
31/08/2007	Requesting information on Audit Scotland's report on Sport in Scotland.	Partial	Limited information released. Information was withheld under section 40 (b) due to the on-going nature of the report, pre-publication
08/05/2007	Requesting a review of our decision to withhold information under section 33 (1b).	Refused	No further information was released. The review panel upheld the original panel's decision to redact commercially sensitive information from competitors' tender submission documents under section 33 (1b) .
05/04/2007	Requesting competitors tender details from an Audit Scotland contracting process.	Partial	Limited information released. Commercially sensitive information was redacted under section 33 (1b) .
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27/02/2007	To supply a copy of a complaint that was believed to have been received by Audit Scotland.	Refused	All the information requested was withheld under section 40 (a&b) .
05/02/2007	To supply the names of individuals and organisations which made representations to Audit Scotland regarding the hearing in Clydebank on West Dunbartonshire Council.	Partial	Limited information released. The names of individuals and organisations which were in the public domain were released. The remainder was withheld under section 38 (1b) .
07/12/2006	Information on Inverclyde Schools Reorganisation sensitivity analysis.	Refused	All the information requested was withheld under section 33 (1b) .
22/12/2006	A review of our decision to withhold information on two cases of the 29/11/2006 request.	All	The information requested for review was released as the commercial interest and the economy aspects had moved on since the initial request.
29/11/2006	The detailed figures and calculations behind a PowerPoint slide used at a conference on PFI bids.	Partial	Limited information released. The remainder relating to on-going negotiations was withheld under section 33 (1b) .
30/10/2006	All correspondence relating to our investigation of a complaint, submitted by the applicant, into Caledonian MacBrayne Ltd.	Partial	Limited information released. Legal correspondence withheld under S36(1) and S40b and some commercial tender information withheld under 33(1b) .
18/10/2006	Information on All our current and future ICT using their, supplied, questionnaire.	Refused	Fee's notice issued which was not responded to within the required period therefore the request lapsed.
14/09/2006	Information on Audit Scotland's Pension Scheme with the DWP.	All	Correspondence released.
13/09/2006	Email a copy of AS IT Strategy Document.	All	Correspondence released.
24/08/2006	To provide information on the consideration by the Accounts Committee on the report concerning Comhairle nan Eilean Siar	Partial	Exemption: 30(b)(ii) and 30(c) . Limited information released.

24/08/2006	Draft Best Value Audit Report of West Dunbartonshire Council.	Partial	Exemption: S 40 Audit functions and S 27 (1) a Intended for future publication. Final report sent after publication. Note email address used to send final report message came back undeliverable.
10/05/2006	Budget/spend on ICT equipment over past 3-4 years.	All	Correspondence released.
03/04/2006	Information on education proposals by Inverclyde Council.	All	Correspondence released.
14/03/2006	1. Letters passed between the Auditor General's office and the Scottish Parliament since 1 January 2005 2. Exchanges on the report on the Holyrood project.	All Partial	Correspondence released. Exemption: Section 33 Commercial interests and the economy. Single copy of report issued on 24 May with exemption applied.
10/10 2005	Details of quality appraisal report for Scott-Moncrieff an audit firm contracted by Audit Scotland.	Partial	Exemption: Section 30 Prejudice to the effective conduct of public affairs. Audit Scotland disclosed the executive summary of the quality appraisal report. Additional information was not released under Section 30. Our view is that releasing the full appraisal would substantially inhibit (restrain, decrease or suppress) the future free and frank provision of advice and recommendations and/or the exchange of views between Audit Scotland and external auditors and substantially prejudice the effective operation of the process. The public interest in ensuring that the quality appraisal process continues to be effective outweighs the public interest in disclosing the detail of the quality appraisal reports.
23/02 2005	Information about funding of the Beacon Leisure Centre in Burntisland..	Partial	Exemption: Section 36(a) Confidential information. Documentation gathered by Audit Scotland as part of the Audit of Fife Council was provided but additional information was not released under Section 36(a) Confidential information.
02/02 2005	Details of contracts awarded to well known individuals to address or chair our conferences/events since 1999.	All	Audit Scotland released the information requested.
24/01 2005 (10 requests received to date)	Gardner & Theobald Report 2000 commissioned by Audit Scotland during the first examination of the Holyrood project.	Partial	Exemption: Section 33 Commercial interests and the economy. Audit Scotland applied exemption Section 33 and released a redacted (edited) version of the Gardner & Theobald Report.

			In releasing this report we have taken account of Section 67 which provides protection from actions of defamation where in response to an FOI request a public sector organisation releases information produced by a third party.
17/01 2005	Performance information on the contract for Prison Escort Services.	All	Audit Scotland released information on the target standard and minimum threshold standard figures contained in the Prisoner Escort and Court Custody Service invitation to tender.