

Freedom of Information: Right to know request

Thank you for your request for information dated 14 March about any planning work that has been carried out regarding the impact of Brexit on IT systems. This has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Please find below our response to each of your questions.

I would like to receive details of any planning work that has been carried out to understand the possible impact of Brexit on IT systems operated by or behalf of Ofcom, including any relevant arms-length bodies. Planning work could include internal investigations, seeking advice from other government bodies, external consultancy, systems testing or development.

By 'impact' I mean modifications to existing IT systems, and/or development of new systems, required to enact any changes to government policy that might result from Britain's departure from the EU.

Please could you let me have:

1. Details of any such planning work carried out to date, and which IT system(s) it relates to.

This information is not held.

2. Any advice the organisation has received, as a result of this planning work, about actions it may need to take to ensure its IT systems are ready for Brexit, including estimated costs if available.

We do not hold information on advice specifically about changes to IT systems.

3. An indication of whether the organisation has already undertaken these actions, is planning to undertake them, or is considering them pending further information.

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I hope this information is helpful.

Timing

If you wish to exercise your right to an internal review you should contact us within two months of the date of this letter. There is no statutory deadline for undertaking internal reviews and it will depend upon the complexity of the case. However, we aim to conclude all such reviews within 20 working days, and up to 40 working days in exceptional cases. We will keep you informed of the progress of any such review. If you wish to request an internal review, you should contact:

Steve Gettings
The Secretary to the Corporation
Ofcom
Riverside House
2a Southwark Bridge Road
London SE1 9HA

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF