

1st Chain of emails:

From: [redacted]
Sent: 12 June 2018 13:45
To: [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: RE: SNSA - data processor agreement

Thanks [redacted]

[redacted – 1 paragraph].

Can you confirm you are content with me passing on your contact details?

Kind regards

[redacted]

From: [redacted]
Sent: 12 June 2018 13:04
To: [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: RE: SNSA - data processor agreement

Thanks, [redacted] . I am copying [redacted] into this message so that [redacted] is aware of this development.

Kind regards

[redacted]

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[redacted]
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From: [redacted]
Sent: 11 June 2018 07:32
To: [redacted]
Subject: RE: SNSA - data processor agreement

Hi [redacted]

[redacted – 3 paragraphs]

Kind regards

[redacted]

[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

From: [redacted]
Sent: 07 June 2018 11:13
To: [redacted]
Subject: RE: SNSA - data processor agreement

Hi [redacted]

Thanks for your email. [redacted – 1 paragraph]
Thanks
[redacted]

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From: [redacted]
Sent: 06 June 2018 09:52
To: [redacted]
Subject: RE: SNSA - data processor agreement

Hi [redacted]

I hope you are well [redacted – 1 paragraph]

Let me know what suits.

Best wishes

[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

From: [redacted]
Sent: 30 May 2018 10:08
To: [redacted]
Subject: RE: SNSA - data processor agreement

Hi [redacted]

My apologies, I received a call from a client which took a while. I will be in the office until about lunchtime tomorrow and all day on Friday if those days suit for a call?

Thanks

[redacted]

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From: [redacted]

Sent: 30 May 2018 09:23

To: [redacted]

Subject: RE: SNSA - data processor agreement

Hi [redacted]

Just tried to ring – I have a meetings from 9.30 for most of the day.

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

From: [redacted]

Sent: 30 May 2018 09:21

To: [redacted]

Subject: RE: SNSA - data processor agreement

Hi [redacted]

Yes, no problem – I don't have any meetings until 2pm today.

Thanks

[redacted]

[redacted]

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From: [redacted]
Sent: 29 May 2018 15:35
To: [redacted]
Subject: RE: SNSA - data processor agreement

Hi [redacted]

Are you ok for a quick call tomorrow morning?

[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

From: [redacted]
Sent: 24 May 2018 16:21
To: [redacted]
Cc: [redacted] ; [redacted] ; [redacted]
Subject: RE: SNSA - data processor agreement

[redacted]
Further to my email below, [redacted – 1 paragraph]
I hope that helps to clarify matters.
Kind regards
[redacted]

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From: [redacted]
Sent: 18 May 2018 14:32
To: [redacted]
Cc: [redacted] ; [redacted] ; [redacted]
Subject: RE: SNSA - data processor agreement

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[redacted – 1 paragraph]

Thanks

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From: [redacted]
Sent: 18 May 2018 14:22
To: [redacted]
Cc: [redacted] ; [redacted] ; [redacted]
Subject: RE: SNSA - data processor agreement

Hi [redacted]

Thank you for the call on Wednesday which was very helpful. I thought it would be helpful to set out our understanding of the position going forward:

[redacted – 2 paragraphs]

Look forward to catching up again in due course and please give me a call if there is anything you wish to discuss.

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[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

From: [redacted]
Sent: 16 May 2018 08:52
To: [redacted]
Cc: [redacted] ; [redacted] ; [redacted]
Subject: RE: SNSA - data processor agreement

Hi [redacted]
No problem, I'll speak to you both at 10.
Thanks

[redacted]

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[redacted]

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From: [redacted]
Sent: 16 May 2018 08:48
To: [redacted]
Cc: [redacted] ; [redacted] ; [redacted]
Subject: RE: SNSA - data processor agreement

Hi [redacted]

It would be useful to have the call at 10. My colleague [redacted] will be joining us – I think you have corresponded.

For info ACER have been updating their privacy notices and this is something we intend to share with SOLAR. I can pick this up in the call.

Kind regards

[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

From: [redacted]
Sent: 16 May 2018 08:35
To: [redacted]
Cc: [redacted] ; [redacted]
Subject: SNSA - data processor agreement

[redacted]

Further to our conversation last week, I have managed to catch up with [redacted] on the SNSA agreement. [redacted – 2 paragraphs]

I know that we were scheduled to have a call today at 10am. I'm still happy to do that if there are additional issues you want to discuss – or alternatively we can wait until I have further updates for you.

Kind regards
[redacted]

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2nd Chain of Emails:

From: [redacted]
Sent: 28 August 2018 15:03
To: [redacted]
Cc: Bruce A (Andrew) <Andrew.Bruce@gov.scot>; [redacted]
Subject: RE: Graeme Logan letter

Hi [redacted]

Thanks for the attached. I have made a small amendment. [redacted – 1 sentence]

Are you planning to speak to [redacted] once we have the line agreed?

[redacted]

From: [redacted]
Sent: 28 August 2018 14:34
To: [redacted]
Subject: RE: Graeme Logan letter

A Scottish Government spokesman said:

“There is no statutory right for parents to withdraw their child from any aspect of schooling other than some parts of religious and sexual education. If a parent does not wish their child to take part in an aspect of teaching and learning, they can discuss this with their school. This is the same position as has existed for decades.

“We have worked closely with SOLAR throughout this process. Having asked for SOLAR for a view, we received a response and communicated that to Directors of Education in good faith.”

Regards
[redacted]
[redacted]

From: [redacted]
Sent: 28 August 2018 13:10
To: [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: Graeme Logan letter
Importance: High

Hi there,

I asked Solar about Graeme Logan's letter of last week regarding testing opt out since it referenced their advice.

This is their response. It is from [redacted] , [redacted – 2 sentences]

Happy to take any lines.

Thanks,

[redacted]

SOLAR's response:

In regards the reference to SOLAR in Mr Graeme Logan's letter to Directors of Education, we would like to clarify SOLAR's position. SOLAR has not advised the Scottish Government that parents don't have the option to opt out of the assessments. SOLAR does not have an agreed position on this matter and has therefore not provided any formal or informal view. Our understanding is that the view quoted came from a local authority and not from SOLAR.

To clarify, SOLAR works alongside other stakeholders including the Scottish Government on a number of matters but we cannot and do not provide any stakeholder with legal advice, we can and sometimes do provide a SOLAR view but the Scottish Government and other stakeholders would need to seek their own legal advice on such matters. In this instance, SOLAR has not provided any view.

Kind regards

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3rd Chain of Emails:

From: [redacted]
Sent: 20 August 2018 07:24
To: [redacted]
Subject: RE: SNSA letter to Directors of Education

Hi [redacted]

Hope you had a good holiday.

The letter I drafted has not gone yet. [redacted – 2 sentences] I was planning to check with Graeme today if he was happy to send. Graeme and I both agreed that David's stuff wouldn't go in the letter. I was covering off the user review anyway and the letter is clear there will be further correspondence to follow. That would pick up on the detail of the user review and the areas noted by David below.

DFM was clear there would be no change to our policy on the assessments. He expects the user review to be published w/c 27th and to have a package of measures surrounding that (Graeme was working on the review over the weekend) Quite a lot of things happened last week. Can catch up when you are in.

[redacted]

From: [redacted]
Sent: 19 August 2018 15:52
To: [redacted]
Subject: RE: SNSA letter to Directors of Education

[redacted]

Grateful for a quick update on where we are at with this thanks. Has a letter gone? What were DFM's views when you spoke to him?
Thanks

[redacted]

From: [redacted]
Sent: 13 August 2018 15:04
To: Leng D (David)
Cc: Logan G (Graeme); [redacted]
Subject: RE: SNSA letter to Directors of Education

Hi David

My draft letter picks up on the current political and media interest on the SNSA and references the user review so there is some overlap. The bulk of the letter is setting out LA's responsibilities as a 'controller' in relation to GDPR. We are holding on to the letter until we have met with DFM tomorrow. Let's catch up on Wednesday as we will have a better idea what DFM's views are.

[redacted]

From: Leng D (David)
Sent: 13 August 2018 11:21
To: [redacted]
Cc: Logan G (Graeme) <Graeme.Logan@gov.scot>; [redacted]
Subject: SNSA letter to Directors of Education

[redacted] /Graeme

I had been preparing a letter to go to Directors of Education seeking early engagement in the new academic session. I know that there is another letter being prepared and wonder if we should combine the two into one communication.

I outline the draft of the engagement proposal and am happy for this to be used within one letter if that is preferred.

SNSA follow up

Dear colleagues

Scottish Government will shortly publish the SNSA User Review for 2017/18. It has been a broadly positive first year with a number of successes and also some important learning points particularly in relation to P1.

As part of this continuous improvement process we would be very keen to engage with local authorities early in the new academic session.

The purpose would be to :

- Reflect on the year 1 experience for schools and LAs*
- Discuss the LA data reports and how these are being used*
- Consider LA plans for year 2 including guidance to schools*
- Discuss support and training for LAs from SG/ Education Scotland for the broader BGE assessment model*

We appreciate how busy LA education services are and therefore we would be happy to arrange meetings individually or in groups.

We look forward to hearing from you

Happy to discuss

David

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