

**From:** Bill Reeve <Bill.Reeve@transport.gov.scot>  
**Sent:** 20 April 2023 14:17  
**To:** [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>; [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>  
**Subject:** RE: 202200334750 FOI for Director's clearance - legacy FOI overdue - departure of Chris Gibb

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for the revised draft and also thanks to [REDACTED] for counsel in discussion next day.

**[REDACTED s.30(b)(ii)]**

Thanks,

Bill

**From:** [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>  
**Sent:** 19 April 2023 15:56  
**To:** Bill Reeve <[Bill.Reeve@transport.gov.scot](mailto:Bill.Reeve@transport.gov.scot)>  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>  
**Subject:** FW: 202200334750 FOI for Director's clearance - legacy FOI overdue - departure of Chris Gibb  
**Importance:** High

Dear Bill,

[OUT OF SCOPE]

I wonder if you would find time to take a look at this revised response. The feedback previously given to [REDACTED] is included in the email below.

Please let me know if you need anything further.

Many thanks

**[REDACTED]**

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**From:** [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>

**Sent:** 12 April 2023 15:55

**To:** Bill Reeve <[Bill.Reeve@transport.gov.scot](mailto:Bill.Reeve@transport.gov.scot)>

**Cc:** [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>; TS Rail Directorate Communications  
[REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>

**Subject:** 202200334750 FOI for Director's clearance - legacy FOI overdue - departure of Chris Gibb

Dear Bill,

Please see attached re-drafted response to an FOI re: Departure of Chris Gibb from SRH.

For ease, please **see your previous feedback** below:

**[REDACTED s.30(b)(ii)]**

*. At the very least, it should be possible to limit such exchanges to the final one in the chain. [REDACTED s.30(b)(ii)]*

I have now excluded information in email chains that has been repeated a number of times to make it clearer for the reader, as per your suggestion.

In terms of exclusion of formulation of lines, we have received **advice from SG FOI colleagues** and they confirmed that:

*.... we do have to include all correspondence that falls into the scope of the request this would include draft lines to take as well as the final agreed lines.*

**[REDACTED s.30(b)(i)]**

with removing repeated emails, at least the response is now not as lengthy.

I hope you will now be able to approve.

Kind regards

**[REDACTED]**

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**From:** [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>  
**Sent:** 12 April 2023 14:34  
**To:** [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> @transport.gov.scot>  
**Subject:** RE: CG FOI for comment

**[REDACTED s.30(b)(ii)]**

**From:** [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>  
**Sent:** 12 April 2023 10:38  
**To:** [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>  
**Subject:** FW: CG FOI for comment

This is the second one for you to look over, please. Nothing more from me 😊

**[REDACTED]**

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**From:** [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>  
**Sent:** 03 April 2023 15:39  
**To:** [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>  
**Subject:** CG FOI for comment

Hey – as discussed 2 versions of the document – one with comments – one with references to repeated material. **[REDACTED s.30(b)(ii)]**

Asked **[REDACTED]** for attachment

I removed the body of reply from the second one, as MiCase will not allow such long response and will have to separate them anyways. Better chance of pages corresponding.

Let me know what you think.

**[REDACTED]**

202200334750 - Draft FOI Reply - REDACTED - no repeats  
<https://erdm.scotland.gov.uk:8443/documents/A43188427/details>

202200334750 - Draft FOI Reply - REDACTED - tidied up  
<https://erdm.scotland.gov.uk:8443/documents/A43186337/details>

NOTE: these documents form a part of the response ref 202200334750, which has been issued to you. These documents are not included under section s.27(1) FOISA.

**From:** [REDACTED]@gov.scot> **On Behalf Of** Freedom of Information  
**Sent:** 29 March 2023 15:38  
**To:** [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot[REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>  
**Subject:** RE: For Review - 202200334750 - Draft FOI Reply - REDACTED (A42151965) - overdue

Good afternoon [REDACTED],

Sincere apologies for not providing clear information and advice in my previous email.

As you mentioned below we do have to include *all* correspondence that falls into the scope of the request this would include draft lines to take as well as the final agreed lines.

I presume the document you are referring to is **[REDACTED s.30(b)(i)]**

I hope this helps, happy to discuss.

[REDACTED],

[REDACTED], | FOI Unit | Scottish Government | 2W St Andrews House, Regent Road, Edinburgh, EH1 3DG

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot >  
**Sent:** 28 March 2023 10:31  
**To:** Freedom of Information <[foi@gov.scot](mailto:foi@gov.scot)>  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot ; [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot;  
[REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot  
**Subject:** RE: For Review - 202200334750 - Draft FOI Reply - REDACTED (A42151965) - overdue

Thanks for this advice **[REDACTED]**  
**[REDACTED s.30(b)(ii)]**

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]@gov.scot > On Behalf Of Freedom of Information

Sent: 15 March 2023 16:06

To: [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot;

Cc: [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot; [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot;

[REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot;

Subject: RE: For Review - 202200334750 - Draft FOI Reply - REDACTED (A42151965) - overdue

Good afternoon **[REDACTED]**

Duplicates where possible should be removed. However, if it requires the inclusion of a duplicate to keep the chain coherent, we may want to keep it. Its whatever keeps things clear for the requester.

I hope this helps,

**[REDACTED]**

**[REDACTED]** | FOI Unit | Scottish Government | 2W St Andrews House, Regent Road, Edinburgh, EH1 3DG

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-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot

Sent: 15 March 2023 13:32

To: Freedom of Information <foi@gov.scot>

Cc: [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot ; [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot;

[REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot

Subject: FW: For Review - 202200334750 - Draft FOI Reply - REDACTED (A42151965) - overdue

FOI colleagues

Grateful for advice on the feedback I received from my Director below **[REDACTED s.30(b)(li)]**

There is repetition within the reply attached but these repeated emails formed part of different email chains.

Many thanks,

**[REDACTED]**

-----Original Message-----

From: Reeve W (Bill) <Bill.Reeve@transport.gov.scot>

Sent: 15 March 2023 13:23

To: [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot;

Cc: [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot; [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot;

[REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot; [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot;

[REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot;

Subject: RE: For Review - 202200334750 - Draft FOI Reply - REDACTED (A42151965) - overdue

Dear **[REDACTED]**

I am struck that there is much repetition of the same correspondence in this, **s.30(b)(ii)**. At the very least, it should be possible to limit such exchanges to the final one in the chain.

**[REDACTED s.30(b)(ii)]**

Regards,

Bill

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot

Sent: 27 February 2023 12:38

To: Reeve W (Bill) <Bill.Reeve@transport.gov.scot>

Cc: [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot

[REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot

[REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot >

Subject: RE: For Review - 202200334750 - Draft FOI Reply - REDACTED (A42151965) - overdue

Dear Bill

Grateful if you could consider this FOI asap.

Many thanks,

**[REDACTED]**

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot

Sent: 02 February 2023 10:18

To: Reeve W (Bill) <Bill.Reeve@transport.gov.scot>

Cc: [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot

[REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot; [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot;

[REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot; [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot

Subject: For Review - 202200334750 - Draft FOI Reply - REDACTED (A42151965) - overdue

Dear Bill

Please find attached a FOI reply for your review. Please note there is some duplication of info contained but you will be aware that we must provide all relevant, full (complete) email chains that fall within scope of the request.

Once you are content I will send to **[REDACTED]** and Minister.

Thank-you,

**[REDACTED]**

**[REDACTED]**

has sent you a copy of "202200334750 - Draft FOI Reply - REDACTED" (A42151965) v2.0 from Objective.

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-----Original Message-----

From: **[REDACTED]**@transport.gov.scot>

Sent: 23 January 2023 17:06

To: **[REDACTED]**@transport.gov.scot>

Subject: FW: For review - 202200334750 - Draft FOI Reply (A42129180)

Hi**[REDACTED]**

Thanks for sending this over. Lot of documents to review. Some general comments:

- Looks like some repetition. Can maybe cut down a bit?
- Names of officials still in at points. Would suggest redaction.

I have also made some more specific comments and suggestions within the document.

Hope this helps.

**[REDACTED]**

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**[REDACTED]**

-----Original Message-----

From: **[REDACTED]**@transport.gov.scot>

Sent: 17 January 2023 16:29

To: **[REDACTED]**@transport.gov.scot> ;

**[REDACTED]**@transport.gov.scot>;**[REDACTED]**@transport.gov.scot>

Cc: [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> ; [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> ;  
[REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>  
Subject: RE: For review - 202200334750 - Draft FOI Reply (A42129180)

Hi [REDACTED]

Thanks for sending this through.

I've marked comments on the document - apologies I know that this isn't ideal for you , but I'm still experiencing system issues specifically with objective.

Thanks again

[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> ;  
Sent: 17 January 2023 14:48  
To:[REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> ; [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> ;  
[REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> ;  
Cc: [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> ; [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> ;  
[REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> ; [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> ;  
Subject: RE: For review - 202200334750 - Draft FOI Reply (A42129180)

Hey,

Just to confirm that I can access it. Word doc attached for reference though.

Cheers,

[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> >  
Sent: 17 January 2023 14:35  
To: [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>  
Cc: [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>  
[REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>  
Subject: RE: For review - 202200334750 - Draft FOI Reply (A42129180)

Hi [REDACTED]

I know there has been some issues with systems. Can you try again now?

Thanks

[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>  
Sent: 16 January 2023 18:29  
To: [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>



Cc: [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>  
[REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>  
Subject: RE: For review - 202200334750 - Draft FOI Reply (A42129180)

Hi [REDACTED]

Apologies, but I'm unable to open the link. Not sure if it's a system issue or a specific issue with my system/ profile after setting up my new laptop.  
Just checking are others able to open it - or is it just me?

Thanks

[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> >

Sent: 16 January 2023 13:45

To: [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>

Cc: [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>

[REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot> [REDACTED]@transport.gov.scot>

Subject: For review - 202200334750 - Draft FOI Reply (A42129180)

Hi

Grateful for a review of the attached FOI to confirm you are content before I send to Bill. Deadline is this week and it will still need to go to [REDACTED] and Minister.

To note the emails contained in the reply from [REDACTED]

- I have not contacted him directly to run the fact these are being included in an FOI reply. Can do so if you think necessary.

In the meantime I will arrange for resource to begin the physical redaction of the text and removal of the correspondence team's comments.

Thanks

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] has sent you a link to "202200334750 - Draft FOI Reply" (A42129180) from Objective.

Open in Navigator

Double click on the attachment

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