



Mr Stuart Hardwicke Carruthers

20 August 2009

Dear Mr Hardwicke Carruthers

I am writing in response to your email of 12 June 2009 requesting a review of the decision not to provide you with information under the Freedom of Information Act. Under our internal complaints procedures your request has been passed to me to review. I have now reviewed our handling of your original request for information on 27 March 2009 and the response you were sent on 27 April 2009 by Liz Hannan.

As I understand it, on 27 March you requested under the Freedom of Information Act *'copies of any document held by the Parliamentary Commissioner as a member of the Commission for Local Administration in England that she has issued as a member of the CLAE related to investigations of complaints by staff of the CLAE, particularly related to any written constitutions and any related human rights guidance'*.

In her letter of 27 April Liz Hannan explained to you in detail why we are unable to meet your request. From my review I can specifically confirm that, as a member of the Commission for Local Administration in England, the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration has never issued and does not hold any documents related to investigations of complaints by staff of the CLAE. We cannot therefore help you in this matter.



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If you remain dissatisfied with our handling of your request for information or with my response you can refer the matter to the Information Commissioner for review. He can be contacted at:

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

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'B. Richardson', written in a cursive style.

Bill Richardson
Deputy Chief Executive