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Ref: FOI-15316

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Dear Ms MacDonald,

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

I refer to your request made under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. Please find below a response on behalf of East Ayrshire Council.

You requested: **Information regarding autism diagnoses, waiting times, staff, and requests.**

Autism services are provided by NHS Ayrshire and Arran and so East Ayrshire Council does not hold this information.

As the Council does not hold recorded information falling within the scope of your request, I am providing notification under Section 17 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 that the Council does not hold the information requested and so is unable to comply with your request.

This response is being provided under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. If you are dissatisfied with this decision or the way in which your request has been handled, you are entitled to require the Council to review its decision. A copy of the Council's review procedures are attached for your information.

Yours sincerely

*Francis Lannie*

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## Reviews and Appeals

### East Ayrshire Council

#### FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002 ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2004

#### REVIEW PROCEDURE

Any applicant who is dissatisfied with the way that East Ayrshire Council has dealt with a request for information is entitled to require the Council to review its decision.

#### STAGE 1

Any applicant, who is unhappy with a decision of the Council, should write to the Council requesting a review. A request for a review must be made no later than 40 working days following the expiry of the period for responding to a request for information. You should send your request to:

Freedom of Information  
East Ayrshire Council  
London Road  
Kilmarnock  
Tel: 01563 554400  
email: [freedomofinformation@east-ayrshire.gov.uk](mailto:freedomofinformation@east-ayrshire.gov.uk)

Your request must include your name and address, details of your initial request for information and why you are dissatisfied.

The Council will comply promptly with the request for a review and in any event by no later than the 20th working day after receipt of the request. At this stage the applicant will be advised of the right to appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner.

#### STAGE 2

If an applicant is still unhappy following Stage 1, the applicant may appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner for a decision. Such appeals should be made within 6 months following the outcome of Stage 1 above, either:

**Online at:** [www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal](http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal)

#### Or in writing to:

The Scottish Information Commissioner  
Kinburn Castle  
Doubledykes Road  
St. Andrews  
FIFE  
KY16 9DS  
Tel: 01334 464610  
Fax: 01334 464511  
email: [enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info](mailto:enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info)

An appeal on a point of law against a decision may be made to the Court of Session.