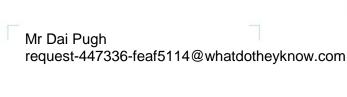
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Katy Holman

Dear Mr Pugh,

## Internal Review of Freedom of Information Request 7938

I write with reference to your email received on the 01.12.2017, in which you requested an Internal Review of the response given in respect of your Freedom of Information request dated 29.11.2017.

In your request for a review you state:

I am writing to request an internal review of Pembrokeshire Council's handling of my FOI request 'Child Deaths known to social services - Family Court'.

I am somewhat surprised at the response as the subject children are already dead.

I do not see how identifying that any of up to four children in each time period were [or were not] involved in family proceedings can be an issue and not available for disclosure. It is a statistical request/information.

As we have seen with Emily Scully Hicks in Cardiff - she was the subject of family proceedings before her death. Something that was not concealed.

I can confirm that the Internal Review Panel have met, and they concluded the use of section 40(2), personal information, was incorrectly applied to the initial response you received. The panel did conclude however, that the requested information could not be released under section 41(1)(a) of the Act, and a new response indicating this is attached.

If you are not satisfied following the outcome of this Internal Review, you can make an appeal to the Information Commissioner, who is the statutory regulator. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Churchill House, Churchill Way, Cardiff, CF10 2HH <u>www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk</u>

Yours sincerely,

Katy Holman

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