

Freedom of Information Act 2000

Enforcement agent duty to disclose



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Q1: Under your contract do enforcement agents have a duty to disclose to you if they

- A) Obtain a settlement agreement without your authorisation**
- B) Settlement agreements after failed levies settlement agreements with vulnerable people you are not aware of all failed levies**
- C) Does your contract make answering no to any of the above them a material breach and a reason for termination of contract**

Response:

- A) Yes
 - B) Yes
 - C) Not Applicable please see Q1 & 2 above.
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