

Original Message
From: Victoria Woodcock
Received: 11/08/2016 10:55
To:
Subject: Re: FOI 71/16 - Vote Leave
We are happy with this. Thank you for letting us know.
Vicky
On Wed, Aug 10, 2016 at 10:26 AM,

Vicky,

We have had a further FOI (due on Friday) that has requested the Electoral Commission responses to the below complaints. The FOI request was:

The above request (link inserted) discloses complaints made by Vote Leave, but not the EC response to those complaints.

Please provide the EC response, as in the other half of the exchanges.

I have attached the material that will be published in the FOI to this email. The only new material will be our responses to the complaints.

As discussed before, the FOI Act requires the Commission to disclose information in response to a request unless an exemption applies. If you think an exemption would apply to any of our responses to your complaints can you please let me know by Friday at 1.00pm.

I am happy to discuss this with you further.

Kind regards,



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From: Victoria Woodcock
Sent: 07 July 2016 14:41
To: ; Dominic Cummings; Matthew Elliott; Alan Halsall Subject: Re: FOI 71/16 - Vote Leave

I am not sure that some of these constituent a complaint. A lot of these are Vote Leave simply copying the Electoral Commission into letters, or passing on information for the Electoral Commission to look into. I would very much like to see the responses before you publish them and would welcome a conversation about why some of these are being considered a complaint.

Matthew/Dom/Alan please see the chain below.

Many thanks,

Vicky

On Thu, Jul 7, 2016 at 1:10 PM, wrote:
Dear Vicky,

Thank you for your email.

We are still in the process of redacting the documents. I can confirm that we have communications covering the following topics:

1. 27 Councils over late supply of absent voter lists
2. the grant process
3. event run at the British Museum
4. Ryanair
5. Postal votes in Aylesbury District Council
6. Misleading postal vote guidance
7. EU citizens receiving postal ballots
8. Treating by operation croissant
9. French industrialists for Remain ad
10. Letters to Buzzfeed, Google, Bite the Ballot, Twitter, Facebook, TheLadBible, Tinder and Uber
11. Exchange with ITV and letters to the Commission regarding the ITV debate

We are happy to send the redacted versions to you later tonight. We will be removing personal details from the documents.

Happy to discuss.

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Will we see anything you are releasing before it is released?

Thanks,

Vicky

On Mon, Jul 4, 2016 at 4:19 PM, wrote:

Dear Vicky

I am writing to you in connection with a request for information received by The Electoral Commission which is being considered under Freedom of Information (FOI) Act. Part of the information requested was relates to you.

Please provide copies of complaints made by Vote Leave Limited to the Electoral Commission about the conduct of the Electoral Commission or any other organisations, sent since 1 March 2016.

The FOI Act requires the Commission to disclose information in response to a request unless an exemption applies. There are two types of exemption in the FOI Act.

The first type is an 'absolute' exemption, whereby disclosure may be withheld if the information falls within the terms of the exemption in question. However, where the exemption in question is only covered by a 'qualified' exemption, we can only withhold the information if the balance of the public interest, in all the circumstances of the case, favours non-disclosure of the information.

In light of the fact that you provided this information to us, we are informing you of this request. If you wish to notify us of any particular issues or considerations that you consider relevant to the question of disclosure of this information, please let me have written details of how, in your view, disclosure of the information would be harmful by 12.00pm 7 July 2016. This is to enable us to consider all relevant factors in taking a decision on whether the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires this information to be disclosed.

If you have any queries about this email, please contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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