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Our reference: FOI 2019/12

11 June 2019

Dear Mr Clark,



Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request - FOI 2019/12

Thank you for your request dated 13 May 2019 in which you asked for the following information from the Parole Board:

Could you please confirm whether any applications for Parole have been considered from Terence Pocock and/or Gary Hopkins since 21 May 2018 and if so the results.

Your request has been handled under the FOIA.

I can confirm that the Parole Board holds some of the information that you have requested. However, it is exempt from disclosure under section 40(2) of the FOIA, because it contains personal data.

Personal data can only be released if to do so would not contravene any of the data protection principles set out in Article 5(1) of the General Data Protection Regulation and section 34(1) of the Data Protection Act 2018.

We believe releasing the requested information into the public domain would be unlawful. Individuals have a clear and strong expectation that their personal data will be held in confidence and not disclosed to the public under the FOIA.

This is an absolute exemption and does not require a public interest test.

Appeal Rights

If you are not satisfied with this response you have the right to request an internal review by responding in writing to Gary Hopper, Head of Corporate Services, at gary.hopper@paroleboard.gov.uk within two months of the date of this response.











You do have the right to ask the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) to investigate any aspect of your complaint. However, please note that the ICO is likely to expect internal complaints procedures to have been exhausted before beginning their investigation.

Yours sincerely

Nazreen Khan

Compliance and Assurance Officer