



# Department of Health & Social Care

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Ms Melissa Smith  
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Dear Ms Smith,

## **Freedom of Information Request Reference FOI-1276846**

Thank you for your request dated 26 November, in which you asked the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC):

*“Thank you for your email asking for clarification of the timescale relating to my recent FOI request.*

*Please provide the following information for the ten Dept of Health and Social Care consultations with the highest number of responses within the past 10 years:*

*Number of responses  
Name of consultation  
Date of consultation”*

Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

DHSC holds information relevant to your request. Please see the attached .PDF file named ‘DHSC Consultations’ for details.

If you are not satisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to appeal by asking for an internal review. This should be submitted within two months of the date of this letter and sent to [FreedomOfInformation@dhsc.gov.uk](mailto:FreedomOfInformation@dhsc.gov.uk), or to the address at the top of this letter.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communication.

If you are not content with the outcome of your internal review, you may complain directly to the Information Commissioner’s Office (ICO). Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have already appealed our original response and received our internal review decision. You should raise your concerns with the ICO within three months of your last meaningful contact with us.

The ICO can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner’s Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane

Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

<https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>

Yours sincerely,

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