

THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

REFUSAL NOTICE

Request Number: 2021-665559

Date: 14 September 2021

This refusal notice is provided in accordance with section 16 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOI(S)A).

You have requested certain information which we are not providing to you as it is otherwise accessible. The accompanying letter describes where the information you seek is available.

Section 16 of the Act requires us to complete a refusal notice when we are not providing information which is otherwise accessible. The details we are required to include in this refusal notice are set out below.

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| Information which is the subject of the request | Information on how MSPs voted on the COVID Vaccine Certification Scheme. |
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| Information which is otherwise accessible | Votes and motions search tool |
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| Exemption(s) | Section 25 - Information otherwise accessible |
| Why exemption(s) applies | Section 25 applies as information on how individual MSPs voted on the COVID Vaccination Certification Scheme can be accessed by using the votes and motions search tool which is publicly available on the Scottish Parliament website at the following link: Votes and motions search Scottish Parliament Website |
| Public interest (where relevant) | As section 25 is an absolute exemption it is not subject to the public interest test. |