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# Freedom of Information: Right to know request

Thank you for your request for information in relation to records of telephone calls received from government ministers and records of visits from government ministers to Riverside House. We received this request on 3 June 2022 and have considered it under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

### Your request

## You asked:

Please can you disclose, preferably by PDF if you are using an attachment:

- (1) records of any telephone calls received from government ministers (UK or Scottish) since the start of 2022 just the date and name of the minister on each and perhaps a one short line as to the main topic, no need to have full copies of any telephone notes;
- (2) records, from any visitor's book or similar log, of any dates of visits in same period (and times of arrival and departure on date if possible) to Ofcom premises at Riverside House by any minister(s) UK/Scottish/Welsh (if Welsh too much to work out who they are then just look for Mark Drakeford/M Drakeford etc./First Minister as regards Wales);
- (3) regarding the visits, who ministers visiting on each of the dates were, from the visitor's book or the log and purpose of visit if recorded in the book/log alongside the date of visit.

Essentially, (2) and (3) collapse into one part but I have separated them out because the bracketed part in part 2 rather diverted away and made the request less clear than now going and splitting it up more. There are really two requests - one on the telephone calls, the other on the visits to the premises.

## Our response

To answer your first question, Ofcom does not hold this information.

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Switchboard: +44 (0)20 7981 3000 or +44 (0)300 123 3000 In answer to questions 2 and 3, there have not been any ministerial visits to Riverside House since the start of 2022.

If you have any queries, then please contact <u>information.requests@ofcom.org.uk</u>. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely,

### Katherine Childs

If you are unhappy with the response you have received in relation to your request for information and/or consider that your request was refused without a reason valid under the law you may ask for an internal review. If you ask us for an internal review of our decision, it will be subject to an independent review within Ofcom.

The following outcomes are possible:

- the original decision is upheld; or
- the original decision is reversed or modified.

#### Timing

If you wish to exercise your right to an internal review **you should contact us within two months of the date of this letter.** There is no statutory deadline for responding to internal reviews and it will depend upon the complexity of the case. However, we aim to conclude all such reviews within 20 working days, and up to 40 working days in exceptional cases. We will keep you informed of the progress of any such review. If you wish to request an internal review, you should contact <u>information.requests@ofcom.org.uk</u>.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Further information about this, and the internal review process can be found on the Information Commissioner's Office <a href="here">here</a>. Alternatively, the Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office

Wycliffe House

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