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Information Requests  
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### Freedom of Information: Right to know request

Thank you for your request for information as detailed below. We received this request on 22 March 2023. We have considered it under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the "FOI Act").

### Your request

*"records of meetings and correspondence between Ofcom and representatives of BT Group Plc and Openreach prior to 23 February 2023, whose primary focus was to discuss the 2 February Financial Times article headlined "BT chief warns Openreach fibre push will 'end in tears' for rivals".*

### Our response

We have conducted searches and can confirm that we hold correspondence that falls within scope of your request. This can be found on our webpage, [public correspondence](#), which contains the following:

- [Letter of 6 February 2023 from Philip Jansen to Dame Melanie Dawes](#)
- [Letter of 6 February 2023 \(incorrectly dated 2022\) from Dame Melanie Dawes to Philip Jansen](#)

We can confirm that we do not hold records of meetings between Ofcom and representatives of BT Group Plc and Openreach prior to 23 February 2023, whose primary focus was to discuss the article you named.

I hope this information is helpful. If you have any queries, then please contact [information.requests@ofcom.org.uk](mailto:information.requests@ofcom.org.uk). Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely,

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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 [information.requests@ofcom.org.uk](mailto:information.requests@ofcom.org.uk).

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. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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