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Information Requests
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Dear,

Freedom of Information request: Right to know request

Thank you for your request for information concerning Legionnaires outbreak and EMF exposure in London - July to August 2025.

We received this request on 7 August 2025 and we have considered your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("the FOI Act") and the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 ("the EIR").

Your request & our response

Please provide:

1. A list of all 5G antenna installations or upgrades between January 2024 and August 2025 within a 1km radius of:

a. The recent Legionnaires' disease outbreak sites in London (July-August 2025)

We do not hold any information on Legionnaire's outbreaks in London, in the UK. In addition, we are unaware of any Legionnaire's outbreaks in London in the UK between July – August 2025. You may instead be referring to an outbreak in London, in Canada.

1. b. Any school or building that reported Legionella contamination during this time.

Please see our response to question 1a.

2. Any recorded complaints, electromagnetic field incident reports, or testing carried out near these installations.

Please see our response to question 1a.

3. Risk assessments submitted to Ofcom or partners regarding EMF impact on public health or water infrastructure.

We do not hold any studies or risk assessments relating to potential health risks of EMF exposure.

Ofcom is not a public health body and does not have medical or health expertise. In the UK, the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) takes the lead on public health matters associated with radiofrequency electromagnetic fields (EMF) and has a statutory duty to provide advice to Government on any health effects that may be caused by exposure to EMF. UKHSA publishes

information on the possible health effects of EMF exposure on its [website](#). Further information relating to EMF and our role is on our [website](#).

4. Location of electromagnetic towers and water systems including open and closed tanks, roof tanks, heating systems, water cooling systems in those buildings where legionella has been detected.

Please see our response to question 1a.

I hope this information is helpful. If you have any further queries, then please send them to information.requests@ofcom.org.uk – quoting the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely,

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Request an internal review

If you are unhappy with the response you have received to your request for information, or think that your request was refused without a reason valid under the law, you may ask for an internal review. If you do, it will be subject to an independent review within Ofcom. We will either uphold the original decision, or reverse or modify it.

If you would like to ask us to carry out an internal review, you should get in touch within two months of the date of this letter. There is no statutory deadline for us to complete our internal review, and the time it takes will depend on the complexity of the request. But we will try to complete the review within 20 working days (or no more than 40 working days in exceptional cases) and keep you informed of our progress. Please email the Information Requests team (information.requests@ofcom.org.uk) to request an internal review.

Taking it further

If you are unhappy with the outcome of our internal review, then you have the right to [complain to the Information Commissioner's Office](#).