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Mr Alan Dransfield
Sent via Email:
alanmdransfield@gmail.com

Dear Mr Dransfield,

Your request for information

Thank you for your email dated 25 February 2015 in which you have requested the following information about six PFI schools in Exeter:

- A copy of any report held by Ofsted into welfare and safety of any of these schools.
- A copy of any Ofsted letter or email to any of the above schools informing them of such pending investigations/inquiry.

In relation to the first point you have specifically stated that you are not interested in the reports published on our website.

The Freedom of Information Act

We have dealt with your request in accordance with the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000.

The first requirement of the Act is that we should confirm whether or not we hold information of the description set out in your request. I can confirm that we do not hold any reports specifically relating to the welfare and safety at these six schools. Ofsted inspectors look at a wide range of issues during the course of an inspection – aspects of which include the safety of pupils; however as per our earlier correspondence with you it is not Ofsted's role to assess matters relating to the specific issues surrounding health and safety.

As has previously been explained to you, the matters you raised with us, in correspondence starting in March 2011 about concerns at these six schools, fall outside of Ofsted's remit. We have no power to inspect or investigate the concerns that you have raised; consequently we have not written to any of the six schools regarding your specific concerns relating to welfare and safety.

Where schools have been inspected, the inspection team's official findings are on our website in published reports. We do not hold any other reports on these six schools or the matters you have raised.

I trust that this letter clearly explains our position. If you or would like to discuss it further or have any queries about our response please contact me on 0300 013 1287 and I will do my best to address them.

Alternatively, if you are dissatisfied with our response or the handling of your request, you may request a formal internal review. In order to do this, please write to the following address, setting out which areas of the response you are unhappy with:

Email: Alma Kucera at informationrequest@ofsted.gov.uk or write to:

Head of Information
Commercial Services Division
Ofsted
Aviation House
125 Kingsway
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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you also have the right to apply to the Information Commissioner for a decision as to whether or not we have complied with our obligations under the FOI Act with respect to your request. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

FOI Case Reception Unit
Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Alastair O'Neill", written over a horizontal line.

Alastair O'Neill
Information Delivery Officer
Information Management Team