
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

The obligations under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 apply to public authorities. For the purposes of the Act, a “public authority” means a body or office which is listed in Schedule 1 to the Act or designated by an order under section 5, or a publicly-owned company as defined by section 6. The list in Schedule 1 to the Act may be added to by an order under section 4(1), provided that the conditions prescribed by section 4(2) and (3) are satisfied.

Article 2 of this Order adds references to the bodies and offices listed in Schedule 1 to this Order to Part II of Schedule 1 to the Act (Local Government).

Article 3 of this Order adds references to the bodies and offices listed in Schedule 2 to this Order to Part VI of Schedule 1 to the Act (Other Public Bodies and Offices: General).

Article 4 of this Order adds references to the bodies and offices listed in Schedule 3 to this Order to Part VII of Schedule 1 to the Act (Other Public Bodies and Offices: Northern Ireland).

The bodies and offices added to Schedule 1 to the Act by this Order are public bodies. There are no regulatory implications for businesses arising from this Order, therefore a Regulatory Impact Assessment has not been prepared.