

**2022 No. 682**

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION**

**The Freedom of Information (Removal of References to Public Authorities) Order 2022**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>14th June 2022</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>17th June 2022</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>		<i>1st September 2022</i>

The Minister for the Cabinet Office makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 4(5) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000(a).

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Freedom of Information (Removal of References to Public Authorities) Order 2022.
- (2) This Order comes into force on 1st September 2022.
- (3) In this Order, “the Act” means the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

**Removal of references to public authorities**

2. In Part 6 of Schedule 1 to the Act (other public bodies and offices: general) omit the entries listed in the Schedule to this Order.

14th June 2022

*True*  
Minister of State  
Cabinet Office

**SCHEDULE**

Article 2

**Entries omitted from Part 6 of Schedule 1 to the Act**

- The Care Council for Wales.
- The General Teaching Council for Wales.
- The Judicial Studies Board.

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(a) 2000 c. 36. The function conferred on the Secretary of State by section 4(5) became concurrently exercisable by the Secretary of State and the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster by virtue of the Transfer of Functions (Information and Public Records) Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/1897). That concurrent function of the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster was transferred to the Minister for the Cabinet Office by the Transfer of Functions (Elections, Referendums, Third Sector and Information) Order 2016 (S.I. 2016/997). There are other amendments to this function but none is relevant.

The National DNA Database Ethics Group.

### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

The obligations under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (c. 36) (“the Act”) apply to public authorities. Section 3(1) provides that a “public authority” includes a body or holder of any office which is listed in Schedule 1 to the Act. Where such a body or office either ceases to exist or ceases to satisfy either of the conditions in section 4(2) and (3), an order may be made under section 4(5) omitting an entry relating to it from Schedule 1.

Article 2 of this Order removes references to the bodies listed in the Schedule to this Order from Part 6 of Schedule 1 to the Act.

An Impact Assessment has not been prepared for this instrument as no impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen.

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