

Dear

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (the "Act") dated 15 October 2016. Under that request, you requested the following information:

1. The full legislative remit/framework of Colleges Scotland, i.e. what is the actual purpose of this government umbrella department?
2. To clarify, what duties the Scottish Government expect Colleges Scotland to provide?
3. What statistics the Scottish Government or other educational stakeholders is Colleges Scotland to undertake?

In response to your request please find detailed below, in order of your questions, the relevant information:

Request	Colleges Scotland Response
1. The full legislative remit/framework of Colleges Scotland, i.e. what is the actual purpose of this government umbrella department	College Scotland is not a 'government umbrella department'. Colleges Scotland is a Company Limited by Guarantee. The objects for which the Company is established are to promote the advancement of further education for the public benefit. This information is contained within the Articles of Association .
2. To clarify, what duties the Scottish Government expect Colleges Scotland to provide?	As per the response to question one, there is no expectation of Colleges Scotland to provide any duties to the Scottish Government.
3. What statistics the Scottish Government or other educational stakeholders is Colleges Scotland to undertake?	As per the response to question one, there is no expectation of Colleges Scotland by the Scottish Government, or any other educational stakeholders, to undertake statistics on their behalf.

Your Right to Seek a Review of the Response

If you are not satisfied with our response or our reasoning set out above, you have forty working days in which to request a review of our decision. Any request should be put in writing and should be sent to Shona Struthers at the address noted below. The request should:

- (a) detail your request for a review of our decision to be undertaken;
- (b) describe the nature of your original request; and
- (c) explain the reasons why you are dissatisfied with our response.

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If you remain dissatisfied with how your request for information has been dealt with, you also have the right to apply to the Scottish Information Commissioner for a decision as to whether Colleges Scotland has handled your request properly.

Information relating to your right to seek a review is available from the Scottish Information Commissioner's web page at:

<http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/YourRights/Askingforareview.aspx>

Or by contacting the Scottish Information Commissioner's Office at the following address:

Scottish Information Commissioner
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St Andrews
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Website: www.itspublicknowledge.info

This concludes Colleges Scotland's response to your information request.

Yours sincerely

Shona

