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FoI request (Ref: 20170330/01)

Thank you for your request for information about changes to the FoI procedures of The Law Society and Solicitors Regulation Authority.

I regret to advise that the information you require is not held by Legal Services Board (LSB). Please see answers to your specific questions below:

1. When was the Legal Services Board ("the LSB") first told that the Society and the SRA were thinking of changing (or had changed) their FOI regimes?

The LSB has not received information regarding this change.

2. Was there any consultation or discussion with the LSB in relation to those changes? If so, please send me a copy of all documents and correspondence (including electronic documents and correspondence) evidencing or relating to that consultation or discussion.

The LSB was not consulted.

3. Has the LSB considered whether the abolition of adjudications is consistent with the regulatory objectives and the better regulation principles? If so, please send me a copy of all documents and correspondence (including electronic documents and correspondence) evidencing or relating to that consideration.

No, nor would the LSB consider this, the Law Society and SRA's handling of FoIA requests does not form part of regulatory arrangements as defined in s21 of the Legal Services Act 2007: www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2007/29/section/21, so would not be subject to the LSB's approval.

4. To the extent that it is not covered by requests 1 to 3 above, please send me a copy of all correspondence (including electronic correspondence) which has passed between the LSB (of the one part) and the Society and the SRA (of the other part(s)) in relation to the changes which have been made to the FOI regimes of the Society and the SRA.

Information not held.

If you are dissatisfied with this response to your request for information, you have the right to ask for an internal review / to submit a complaint (see [LSB's Freedom of information – Complaints procedure](#)).

The reference for your request, which should be quoted in all correspondence, is:
20170330/01.