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Sent by email

**Committee on
Standards in
Public Life**

23 February 2024

Dear

You wrote on 3 February:

In response to an FOI request I made on 18 June 2023, the Committee stated that:

"The Principles of Public Life apply to all those in public life, including private companies providing public services which are funded by the taxpayer. The CSPL may consider arrangements for upholding standards in all areas of public life. "

Please provide me with copies of any policies, procedures, guidance or training materials which include content relating to the definition or interpretation of the expressions "public life", "in public life", or "public services" that are not already in the public domain.

In addition, please provide any written documentation you hold which expresses a view or conclusion by the Committee or its advisers as to whether or not members of the governing bodies of housing associations are subject to the Nolan Principles. I found a reference to housing associations in the 'Summary of Nolan Committee's Second Report'[1] and therefore I would expect that their governing bodies are covered but it would be helpful to have confirmation on this point.

In response to your first request above, we have searched our files and have nothing in scope. We can find no further documentation relating to the definition or interpretation of the expressions "public life", "in public life", or "public services" that are not already in the public domain.

In response to your second request above, we have nothing to add to our earlier email which you quote above.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Internal Review Officer
Committee on Standards in Public Life
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to this request for information. If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow, Cheshire
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Yours sincerely
CSPL Secretariat