

# THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

## REFUSAL NOTICE

**Request Number: 2023-694146**

**Date: 7 December 2023**

This refusal notice is provided in accordance with section 16 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOI(S)A).

You have requested certain information which we are not providing to you as it is otherwise accessible. The accompanying letter describes where the information you seek is available.

Section 16 of FOI(S)A requires us to complete a refusal notice when we are not providing information which is otherwise accessible. The details we are required to include in this refusal notice are set out below.

<b>Information which is the subject of the request</b>	<i>- any policy documents governing the use of Parliament-issued technology hardware.</i>
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<b>Information which is otherwise accessible</b>	Documents relating to Members use of Parliamentary resources Information relating to the Code of Conduct for Members
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<b>Exemption(s)</b>	Section 25 - Information otherwise accessible
<b>Why exemption(s) applies</b>	Section 25 applies as policies on the use of parliamentary resources are publicly available on the Scottish Parliament website and can be accessed at the following links:  Documents relating to the use of Parliamentary resources is available at <a href="#">MSPs: use of parliamentary resources   Scottish Parliament Website</a>  Information is also available in the Code of Conduct for Members which is available at <a href="#">Section 7: General conduct of MSPs   Scottish Parliament Website</a>
<b>Public interest (where relevant)</b>	As section 25 is an absolute exemption, it is not subject to the public interest test.