

Access to Public Information Response

July 26th 2018

REQUEST UNDER THE CODE OF PRACTICE FOR ACCESS TO PUBLIC INFORMATION

Request sent on July 26th 2018:

re INTERNAL AUDIT PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS, CODE OF ETHICS & WHISTLEBLOWING GUIDELINES AND TRAINING MATERIALS FOR REFERENCE BY *States of Guernsey Assurance*

Please could you forward copies of all documents related to the above as they were at 1.3.18, to include any amendments made following that date and on onwards to the date of dispatch. In the first instance, could you gather and send all or as much as is practicable of the required documentation to all members of the Scrutiny Management Committee. The Committee members are having a meeting on 1st August 2018 at which the documentation will be pertinent to their discussions. Please could you confirm this despatch to me and inform me of the timescale in which it is likely that I will be able to receive copies myself.

States of Guernsey response sent on August 9th 2018:

Please see attached for the documents you requested.

The first document is the Public Sector Internal Audit Standards, which the States Head of Assurance follows. They apply to internal auditing rather than his role as Whistleblowing Officer. Nevertheless, the States Head of Assurance will always abide by these standards.

The Whistleblowing Policy is also attached, as are the Civil Service Code and Conduct Directive as these documents cover the 'code of ethics' from a Civil Servant's perspective.

There are no further whistle blowing guidelines beyond the Whistleblowing Policy. We do not understand what is meant by 'training materials for reference by States of Guernsey Assurance'.

As stated in a previous email, the Scrutiny Management Committee is able to request any States of Guernsey documentation it wishes to see and this would be dealt with via internal processes. As such, that element of your request falls outside the scope of the Code of Practice on Access to Public Information.