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Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information Reference: FOI-2022-000120 – NSQIG Procurement Category Manager - All Communications.

I refer to your freedom of information request that we received on 19 May 2022 requesting the following information.

There were of a whole host of meetings where the National Stoma Quality Improvement Group and its sub groups met between the 16th of February 2017 and the 9th of September 2019.

NSS had a member of staff on this group: Billy Hislop Procurement Category Manager.

Could you please provide all communications (emails/text/WhatsApp etc) that Billy Hislop sent/received in his role with this group.

I can advise you that we have now completed the search of our records and can provide you with the following information:

Under Section 17 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 an organisation does not require to provide information if it does not hold that information. NHS National Services Scotland does not hold this information. Billy Hislop has carried out a search of his emails and was able to locate some calendar invites for meetings in relation to the NSQIG, but no email communications have been located. Our corporate filing systems were also searched for any relevant emails, and none were located.

Within NSS text messages are not normally used by way of business-related communications however, a search has been undertaken and nothing was found.

NSS does not use WhatsApp for any business-related communications.

I trust you will find the information of assistance and if you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

If you are unhappy with any aspect of how we have dealt with your request, you can make representations to us asking us to review the handling of your request. Please write to the



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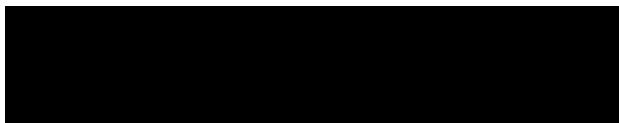
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or at the email address nss.foi@nhs.scot within 40 working days of the date of this correspondence.

If after a review you are still unhappy, you also have the right to apply to the Scottish Information Commissioner, who can be contacted at Kinburn Castle, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS, or via their [online application form](#).

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me at the above address.

Yours sincerely

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