

Freedom of Information Policy Statement March 2018

The Board takes a proactive approach to publishing Board and committee papers on the GCRB website promptly after meetings, in line with the relevant legislation and guidance.

The Board's policy, consistent with the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, is to disclose information except where a legitimate exemption applies.

The GCRB Publication Scheme is reviewed regularly to ensure it reflects the updated Model Publication Scheme, and current practice is reviewed to ensure it is compliant with the Scheme.

All Board and committee papers include a recommended disclosure status and, where non-disclosure is recommended, relevant exemptions are provided.

At each meeting, the Board or committee considers and agrees a position on which papers are disclosable, non-disclosable, or disclosable subject to redaction.

In reaching a decision not to disclose information, the Board or committee takes into account the Public Interest Test, where this applies.