

**Information Governance**

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Dear

**Request for Information: Freedom of Information Act**

Thank you for your email of 7<sup>th</sup> February making a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. You requested the following information and the Trust is able to provide the information below in response:

**Request:**

Hi, can you tell me if you add fluoride to our drinking water? This is from Thames water web site

We do not add fluoride to our water. The decision to fluoridate water supplies is taken by your local strategic health authority - not by Thames Water. Your health authority should be contacted for further details.

**Response:**

Oxford Health Trust do not add fluoride and are not responsible for adding Fluoride to water.

The NHS publishes information on the subject which can be accessed via the following URL:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/fluoride/>

If you are concerned with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to me and I will ensure the decision is reviewed. The Trust will consider undertaking a review if requested to do so within 40 working days of the date the response is received by the applicant, and will apply discretion if a longer period of time has passed.

Should you wish to make a complaint as a result of the outcome of such a review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision.

Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Trust for FoI Act matters.

The ICO can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF

Please contact me if there are any further queries.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Mark Underwood

Head of Information Governance