



**You are invited to a meeting
of the Scottish Public
Information Forum to
discuss access to
information rights.**

**Meeting of SPIF
25th March 2019 from 1pm – 4.30pm
At CVS Inverclyde,
Inverclyde Community Hub,
75-81 Cathcart Street,
Greenock, PA15 1DE.**

Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions - CVS Inverclyde
2. Approval of the Minutes of 28th September 2018 and matters arising.
3. Presentation from Sean Whittaker on the 'Uncovering the Environment: The Use of Public Access to Environmental Information' Project, based at the University of Dundee. The project is exploring how the right of access to environmental information is guaranteed in Scotland and to identify the nature and scale of how the right is used.
4. Post Legislative Scrutiny of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FoISA) - discussion on the remit and timeframe agreed by the Public Audit and Post Legislative Scrutiny Committee of the Scottish Parliament. For more information see Committee's website
<https://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/CurrentCommittees/public-audit-committee.aspx> and the Minute of 10th January 2019 at
<https://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/CurrentCommittees/101363.aspx>
5. Designation of Registered Social Landlords (RSLs) under FoISA - update on progress of laying the Order at the Scottish Parliament. The Scottish Government has confirmed, in a letter to CFoIS, that it will lay an Order early in 2019 and it will commence this year. Originally the dates for commencement were 1st April 2018 and then 1st April 2019. The Scottish Government intends to propose that RSL subsidiary companies – and the information they hold - will be "within scope of FOISA insofar as they are undertaking the same functions for which the parent RSL would be designated."
6. Update from Daren Ftizhenry, the Scottish Information Commissioner.
7. Update from Maureen Falconer, UK Information Commissioner's Office.
8. AOCB

Registration is free and at Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/scottish-public-information-forum-spif-tickets-54928925896>

This meeting is organised by the Campaign for Freedom of Information in Scotland (CFoIS) and sponsored by CVS Inverclyde.

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