

## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI 666**

### Question:

“I would like you to tell me what the age of sexual consent is in the UK.”

“Also, how can a social worker think it is ok for a 13 year old male child, who is autistic and developmentally delayed, to consent to sexual activity, when he knew nothing of a sexual nature until what happened to him.”

### Answer:

The information requested is not recorded, that is, no information is held. Please note that the scope of the Freedom of Information Act is limited to recorded information held at the time of the request. There is no requirement on an organisation to create new information in response to a request. Therefore, this letter represents a Refusal Notice.

To assist you further, I understand that the PCC's Staff Officer contacted you to confirm that the age of sexual consent is 16 years old and to discuss any safeguarding concerns.