

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION: A MEDIA MASTERCLASS

Your Speakers

Matt Burgess is a digital journalist who works on a range of trade magazines and runs the FOI Directory website. He has written a book on the Freedom of Information Act and how journalists can use it. Recently he, along with a number of other journalists, was banned from making FOI requests by the Met police for asking the force about its use of RIPA snooping.



Paul Gibbons is a freelance trainer, consultant and writer, with two decades of information management and compliance experience in the UK Parliament, Greater London Authority, Pfizer, the NHS, local government and higher education. Best known for his FOIMan blog, he also writes for the Freedom of Information Journal and has featured in the Daily Telegraph, Times Higher Education and on BBC Radio.



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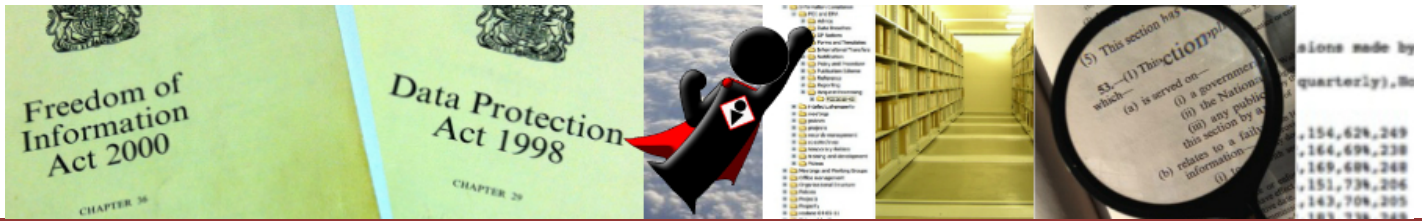
The first of our Media Masterclasses will be held on 30 October 2015 in central London, and we are offering places at a special introductory rate of only **£199** per delegate. To reserve a place (or for further details) email paul@foiman.com or complete the booking form on the foiman.com website. On receipt of your email, an invoice will be issued. Your place will be confirmed once payment has been received. Places are limited so don't delay!

Matt and Paul can also deliver Media Masterclasses in-house if there are several people in your organisation who would like to benefit from their knowledge and experience. Get in touch for a quote!

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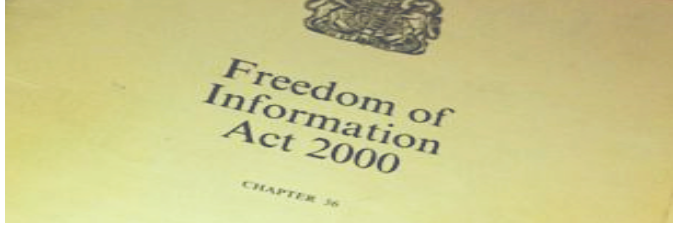
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In this one day masterclass, you'll hear from Paul Gibbons, a former FOI practitioner and author of the FOIMan blog, and from Matt Burgess, a journalist who established the FOI Directory website, an essential resource for all those who want to make good use of FOI, and is the author of a new book, *Freedom of Information: a practical guide for UK journalists*.

What The Law Means For Journalism: the most important provisions for journalists as well as other useful laws providing access to information.

The Best Stories From FOI Requests: a look at how the media has used the Freedom of Information Act to best effect over the last ten years. Be inspired!

How Public Authorities Work: making the most effective use of FOI requires an insider's knowledge of the way decisions are made.



The Nuts & Bolts of Effective FOI Use: the best resources for journalists, keeping track of the requests you've made and how to appeal against refusals.

Your Friend On The Inside? The FOI Officer: their role in FOI handling, how they can help journalists achieve their ends, and how requests from journalists are treated.

Preparing Your Request: research, wording your request and planning your data analysis to ensure you receive usable data. How to make effective "round robin" requests.

Request Workshop – Ask The Experts: bring along your information wish-list and we'll explore how best to get it or suggest alternative approaches.

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