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Subject : Re: Is ONS obliged to consult on changes to inflation indices

We need to note that there is one legal obligation, which is to consult the Bank of England, as I'm sure you know.

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Hi

As I understand it, there is no legal obligation to consult. However, there is now custom and practice established that probably establishes consultation as a requirement under administrative law.

Hopefully this answers your question,

Kind regards

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To

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Subject Is ONS obliged to consult on changes to inflation indices

Hi

can you tell me please is the ONS legally obliged to consult on changes to the inflation indices (above and beyond the annual basket update), or is there any (published) formal process document which establishes a legitimate expectation that the ONS will not implement any changes without public consultation?

Many thanks,

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