

From the Director

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I am hosting an evening seminar on subterfuge and newsgathering for national newspaper journalists on the 3rd July. This is part of our follow up to the report we published on the subject following the Goodman/Mulcaire convictions.

From time to time, we conduct such seminars on subjects connected to the Code, and the usual format involves journalists studying real cases before discussing the Code issues and likely outcome. The discussion usually involves an analysis of the public interest. In this case, it would be excellent if one of your colleagues could be on hand to speak for five minutes on the Data Protection Act and be available to take questions about it during the seminar.

The event will take place between 6.30-8.30pm and will be relatively informal. I would be grateful if you could let me know whether someone from your office might be available. If so, I will let you have further details about the venue – which will be in central London – and attendees nearer the time.

With kind regards.

Tim Toulmin

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