GRAPHENE ENABLED SYSTEMS LIMITED
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000
PUBLICATION SCHEME
The Scheme follows the Model Publication Scheme for Universities laid down by the Information Commissioner in 2008

INTRODUCTION

1. Legal requirement

1.1 Adopting a publication scheme is a requirement of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This Act promotes greater openness and accountability across the public sector by requiring all ‘public authorities’ to make information available proactively, through a publication scheme.

1.2 ‘Public authorities’ are defined in the Act and include universities and the act also applies to companies wholly owned by at least two public authorities. The act therefore applies to Graphene Enabled Systems Limited.

2. The Publication Scheme

2.1 A publication scheme is a document which describes the information a public authority publishes, or intends to publish. In this context, ‘publish’ means to make information available, routinely. These descriptions are called ‘classes of information’. The scheme is not a list of the actual publications, because this will change as new material is published or existing material revised. It is, however, the public authority’s commitment to make available the information described.

2.2 A publication scheme must set out the classes, or categories, of information published. It must also make clear how the information described can be accessed and whether or not charges will be made.

3. Who we are

3.1 The University of Manchester is recognised as one of the global leaders in academic research with 65% of research activity judged to be “world leading” or "internationally excellent" (2008 Research Assessment Exercise). This prolific research activity forms part of the largest academic campus in Europe and produces world-leading breakthroughs.

3.2 Graphene Enabled Systems is a business created and owned by The University of Manchester.
Our objective is to launch a series of successful, market-focused 'spin–out' businesses based on products born out of the University's portfolio of 2D materials technology patents – principally graphene.

4. **Accessing information covered by the publication scheme**

4.1 The classes of information we publish are described in the second part of the scheme.

4.2 Next to each class we have indicated the manner in which the information described will be available. There will be no charge for information covered by the publication scheme.

4.3 To request information available through our publication scheme please contact:

The Compliance and HR Manager  
The University of Manchester I³ Limited  
Core Technology Facility  
46 Grafton Street  
Manchester M13 9NT

Tel: 0161 603 7753 or Fax 0161 606 7307

5. **What about information not covered by the publication scheme**

5.1 From 1 January 2005 information not made available through the publication scheme may be requested.

5.2 Requests will have to be made in writing and the Company will normally have 20 working days to respond. We may charge a fee. We will not be required to release information to which an exemption in the Act legitimately applies.

6. **Feedback**

6.1 It is important that this publication scheme meets your needs. If you find the scheme difficult to understand, please let us know. We also welcome suggestions as to how our scheme might be improved. Any questions, comments or complaints about this scheme should be sent in writing to the Company Secretary at the address in 4.3 above.
6.2 If we are unable to resolve any complaint, you can complain to the Information Commissioner, the independent body who oversees the Freedom of Information Act:

Office of the Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

7. Further information

7.1 More information about the Freedom of Information Act is available on the Information Commissioner’s website at:

www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk

7.2 Either part or the entire Publication Scheme is available in other formats on request. Other formats include hard copy, Braille and larger print.

CLASSES OF INFORMATION INCLUDED IN THE PUBLICATION SCHEME

Class 1: Who we are and what we do

Graphene Enabled Systems Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary of the University of Manchester. It is a private limited company registered in England and Wales, Company Registration Number: 09911630. Graphene Enabled Systems Limited was incorporated on 10th December 2015.

Further information on locations and contacts can be found at http://www.graphene-enabled.com/

More information on Graphene Enabled Systems Limited’s constitutional and legal governance is contained in the Company’s Memorandum and Articles of Association which are available from the Company Secretary and HR Manager (at the address given below) or free of charge from Companies House ( https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/companies-house )

Further information may be available (subject to any applicable exemptions) on written request to:
The Company Secretary and HR Manager
The University of Manchester I3 Limited
Core Technology Facility
46 Grafton Street
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Exemptions: Information which may damage the commercial interests of the company will be exempt from publication.

Information relating to identifiable individuals may be exempt from publication

**Class 2: What we spend and how we spend it**

The annual group statement of accounts and auditors report are available from the Company Secretary and HR Manager (at the address given below) or free of charge from Companies House (https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/companies-house).

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**Class 3: What our priorities are and how we are doing**

Information on the company’s mission and focus, applications and business model can be found at http://www.graphene-enabled.com/

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**Class 4: How We Make Decisions**
Information on the business model is available at http://www.graphene-enabled.com/

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**Class 5: Our Policies and Procedures**

Information available on request from

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**Class 6: Lists and registers**

Statutory registers, information available on request from

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**Class 7: The services we offer**

Information in this class is available at http://www.graphene-enabled.com/