



FOI REQUEST LOG JULY 2021 - SEPTEMBER 2021

| FOI Reference Number | FOI Request Date Received | Request Description | Requester Category | Decision | Decision Date |
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| FOI-0145-2021 | 11/05/2021 | Records in relation to hare coursing meetings that took place from 01/01/2020-11/05/2021 to include coursers reports, veterinary reports, capture returns, release returns, NPWS reports, and all other documentation in relation to the granting of the 2020/2021 netting licence, plus issues arising from coursing season. | Business/Interest Group | Refused | 07/07/2021 |
| FOI-0144-2021 | 12/05/2021 | Records in relation to the granting of a derogation from the EU Birds Directive for the all year around shooting of wood pigeons between 01/05/2021 and 30/04/2022. | Business/Interest Group | Part-Granted | 07/07/2021 |
| FOI-0162-2021 | 17/05/2021 | Correspondence between, Graham Doyle and P. Farrell between 01/01/2020-17/05/2021. Correspondence between, Eoghan Murphy or Darragh O'Brien and Irish Institutional Property, between 01/01/2020-17/05/2021. Correspondence between, Eoghan Murphy or Darragh O'Brien and P. Farrell between 01/01/2020-17/05/2021. | Journalist | Part-Granted | 13/07/2021 |
| FOI-0157-2021 | 18/05/2021 | Copies of any briefings/submissions prepared for Minister O'Brien or the Secretary General with regard to cuckoo funds and/or the purchase of a housing estate in Maynooth by such a fund between 01/03/2021-18/05/2021. | Journalist | Part-Granted | 14/07/2021 |
| FOI-0156-2021 | 18/05/2021 | Copies of any records held by the National Parks and Wildlife Service referring or relating to the discovery of an Asian hornet in Dublin between 01/04/2021-18/05/2021. | Journalist | Part-Granted | 14/07/2021 |
| FOI-0155-2021 | 18/05/2021 | Communications referencing Urbeo, the "U Maynooth" scheme or the Carton Grove housing estate between 23/04/2021-14/05/2021. | Client | Part-Granted | 13/07/2021 |
| FOI-0169-2021 | 20/05/2021 | All commissioned research, reports, memos and briefing notes on institutional property funds between 03/05/2021-20/05/2021. All correspondence between Principal Officers and above of the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage and the Department of Finance in relation to institutional property funds between 03/05/2021-20/05/2021. All correspondence received by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage from Institutional Property Funds, Property Industry Ireland, Irish Institutional Property and Construction Industry Federation between 03/05/2021-20/05/2021. | Journalist | Part-Granted | 15/07/2021 |
| FOI-0183-2021 | 24/05/2021 | Records in relation to the restoration and conservation works carried out at Ardagullion Bog, Co. Longford from 01/01/2014-24/05/2021. | Business/Interest Group | Granted | 20/07/2021 |
| FOI-0196-2021 | 29/05/2021 | Records relating to the award of 25 million euro in funding for the Book of Kells project. | Journalist | Part-Granted | 21/07/2021 |
| FOI-0204-2021 | 02/06/2021 | Correspondence between Minister O'Brien and the management company or residents of the Abington estate in Malahide, Co Dublin in relation to housing/planning between 01/01/2021-02/06/2021 | Journalist | Refused | 01/07/2021 |
| FOI-0208-2021 | 05/06/2021 | Copies of decision letters issued by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage to individuals which did not include information on the reduced rate fee for appeals during the period 26/05/2020 - 26/05/2021. | Client | Part-Granted | 05/07/2021 |
| FOI-0219-2021 | 08/06/2021 | Minutes of all meetings of the Housing Assistance Payment Oversight Group, between 01/01/2021-08/06/2021, to include correspondence between Minister O'Brien and officials at, or above, the grade of Principal Officer in the Department of Housing and Local Government | Journalist | Part-Granted | 06/07/2021 |
| FOI-0213-2021 | 08/06/2021 | Correspondence between W. Nowlan (WK Nowlan Real Estate/ Hibernian Reit) and Minister Alan Kelly between 01/01/2015-30/04/2015. | Journalist | Refused | 06/07/2021 |
| FOI-0224-2021 | 09/06/2021 | All payments for legal services made to James Geoghegan (Barrister) for the period 01/11/2013 to 08/06/2021. | Business/Interest Group | Refused | 07/07/2021 |
| FOI-0214-2021 | 09/06/2021 | Records from a meeting between Louth County Council and Departmental officials that took place in May 2021 in relation to Louth County Councils failed application for funding for the Drogheda Northern Port Access Cross Route. | Oireachtas/Public Representatives | Refused | 06/07/2021 |
| FOI-0215-2021 | 09/06/2021 | Correspondence between the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, the Secretary General and Donegal County Council regarding issues arising as a result of mica in council homes, council costs re mica and redress associated with same from 01/06/2021-09/06/2021. | Journalist | Granted | 06/07/2021 |
| FOI-0216-2021 | 09/06/2021 | All guidance documents sent to presiding officers or other staff at polling stations in advance of the General Election held on 08/02/2020. A list of all polling stations for the 2020 General Election, to include a list of the names of the presiding officers for each polling station. All correspondence issued to Returning Officers or count staff on how to conduct the counting of votes for the 2020 General Election in accordance with the law. | Business/Interest Group | Granted | 07/07/2021 |
| FOI-0218-2021 | 09/06/2021 | Correspondence between the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage and Dublin City Council between 01/01/2021 - 09/06/2021 in relation to homelessness. Minutes of meetings of the Homelessness Taskforce between 01/01/2021-09/06/2021, to include correspondence between Minister O'Brien and officials at, or above, the grade of Principal Officer in the Department of Housing and Local Government and Heritage. | Journalist | Part-Granted | 06/07/2021 |
| FOI-0217-2021 | 09/06/2021 | Correspondence/minutes of meetings between the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage and the Residential Tenancies Board between 01/03/2021-09/06/2021. | Journalist | Part-Granted | 09/07/2021 |
| FOI-0202-2021 | 14/06/2021 | Emails and reports between Donegal County Council senior management team and the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage in relation to Mica/Pyrite or issues arising in defective blocks/concrete products in dwellings/business premises or public buildings between 01/01/2020 and 01/06/2021. | Client | Part-Granted | 10/08/2021 |
| FOI-0197-2021 | 14/06/2021 | Copies of any briefings/submissions/reports prepared for Minister O'Brien or Minister Burke with regard to specified agreement on councillor pay between 01/01/2021 to 14/06/2021, to include correspondence held in the email accounts of Minister Burke or Minister O'Brien referring to the above agreement/plan, between 01/01/2021 to 14/06/2021. | Journalist | Part-Granted | 12/07/2021 |
| FOI-0226-2021 | 17/06/2021 | Correspondence between Minister Darragh O'Brien, Kevin Dillon and Airbnb, in relation to short-term letting in Ireland, between 01/01/2021-17/06/2021. | Journalist | Part-Granted | 15/07/2021 |
| FOI-0227-2021 | 17/06/2021 | Records in relation to the damaging of a bat roost at Emo Court, Co. Laois, while work was being carried out by the Office of Public Works in January 2020. | Business/Interest Group | Refused | 15/07/2021 |
| FOI-0222-2021 | 18/06/2021 | Copies of identified Strategic Housing Development Review Report submissions. | Client | Part-Granted | 16/07/2021 |
| FOI-0228-2021 | 23/06/2021 | Correspondence between Minister Darragh O'Brien and the Land Development Agency chief executive John Coleman and former Land Development Agency interim chairman John Moran between 14/04/2021-23/06/2021. | Journalist | Part-Granted | 21/07/2021 |
| FOI-0235-2021 | 25/06/2021 | All correspondence between the Minister for Housing Local Government and Heritage and the former chair of the Land Development Agency John Moran between 26/06/2020 - 26/06/2021. | Journalist | Part-Granted | 23/08/2021 |
| FOI-0232-2021 | 25/06/2021 | Records relating to a benthic survey of the Codling Bank, commissioned by NPWS Science and Biodiversity Unit between 01/01/2012 - 26/06/2021. | Business/Interest Group | Granted | 22/07/2021 |
| FOI-0236-2021 | 28/06/2021 | Copies of any briefings/submissions/memos/information notes/speaking notes prepared for either Minister Darragh O'Brien or the Secretary General with regard to the following report on deaths among homeless people : https://www.independent.ie/irish-news/politics/2020-homeless-deaths-nearly-twice-2019-but-its-not-rough-sleepers-40586567.html | Journalist | Granted | 26/07/2021 |
| FOI-0239-2021 | 29/06/2021 | Correspondence, meeting minutes and briefings between the Minister for Housing Local Government and Heritage and Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council regarding vacant homes, between 01/01/2021-29/06/2021, to include any correspondence, meeting minutes and briefings with vacant homes officers assigned to each local authority, between 01/01/2021 - 29/06/2021. | Journalist | Refused | 27/07/2021 |
| FOI-0240-2021 | 30/06/2021 | Correspondence between the Minister for Housing Local Government and Heritage and Pavee Point and The Irish Traveller Movement, regarding the provision of new or standards of existing Traveller accommodation, between 01/01/2021 - 30/06/2021. | Journalist | Granted | 27/07/2021 |
| FOI-0242-2021 | 01/07/2021 | All records relating to meetings of the Bathing Water Expert Group between 01/01/2017-01/07/2021 to include copies of briefing material in relation to the Dublin Bay Area. Copies of any memoranda or any related matters from the Bathing Water Expert Group to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage relating to the Bathing Water Testing between 01/01/2017-01/07/2021. | Business/Interest Group | Granted | 29/07/2021 |
| FOI-0241-2021 | 02/07/2021 | Agendas and minutes of all meetings that included the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage and representatives of the Dublin Region Homeless Executive between 01/12/2017 and 01/07/2021. | Journalist | Refused | 29/07/2021 |
| FOI-0243-2021 | 05/07/2021 | Correspondence between the Minister for Housing Local Government and Heritage and Airbnb, Facebook, Google, and Apple between 01/01/2021 - 05/07/2021. | Journalist | Part-Granted | 03/08/2021 |

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| FOI-0245-2021 | 06/07/2021 | Correspondence between the Secretary General, the Minister for Housing Local Government and Heritage and officials in the Department of Finance regarding any proposals to formally declare housing an "emergency" under EU spending rules during 01/01/2021 - 06/07/2021 to include correspondence between the Secretary General and the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage. | Journalist | Refused | 03/08/2021 |
| FOI-0244-2021 | 06/07/2021 | Correspondence received/sent by the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage in relation to the amendment referenced in the below article Sunday business post: - https://www.businesspost.ie/houses/bulk-buying-funds-who-lease-to-state-are-exempt-from-new-10-stamp-duty-4ad90d127auth-login | Journalist | Part-Granted | 03/08/2021 |
| FOI-0249-2021 | 07/07/2021 | Correspondence/reports supplied by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage to the European Commission/ European Court of Justice on progress on the agreed programme of measures in response to the judgement delivered on 28/03/2019 in case C427/17 concerning urban waste water treatment of agglomerations in Arklow specifically. | Journalist | Refused | 05/08/2021 |
| FOI-0251-2021 | 08/07/2021 | Records of communications between the Minister of State at the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage and the Environmental Protection Agency in relation to the issue of horticultural peat harvesting since 27/06/2020. | Business/Interest Group | Refused | 06/08/2021 |
| FOI-0253-2021 | 09/07/2021 | Research provided to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage in relation to the impact of the 10% stamp duty levy imposed by the Minister for Finance on the purchase of more than 10 homes between 01/06/2021-08/07/2021, to include correspondence sent/received by the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage. | Journalist | Part-Granted | 06/08/2021 |
| FOI-0255-2021 | 10/07/2021 | All documentation regarding the study by the NPWS into the survival and movement of hares returned to the wild after being coursed, to include details of methodology, and involvement of hare coursers and the Irish Coursing Club. | Business/Interest Group | Part-Granted | 27/08/2021 |
| FOI-0256-2021 | 12/07/2021 | Records relating to a potential change in the boundaries of the land designated as the Connemara Bog Complex SAC from 01/01/2016-12/07/2021. | Business/Interest Group | Granted | 10/08/2021 |
| FOI-0259-2021 | 13/07/2021 | A list of payments made to Caas Ltd between 01/01/2010 to 12/07/2021. | Business/Interest Group | Granted | 11/08/2021 |
| FOI-0258-2021 | 14/07/2021 | All records pertaining to a payment of €39,273.23 to Caas Ltd made by the Department of Arts, Heritage and Gaeltacht in Quarter 4 of 2012. | Business/Interest Group | Part-Granted | 01/09/2021 |
| FOI-0248-2021 | 14/07/2021 | Correspondence sent to Minister Darragh O'Brien and Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage staff (principal officer and above) between 01/05/2021 -14/07/2021, relating to the stamp duty exemption for funds that lease properties to the state for social housing, to include records of all research and reports compiled by Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage between regarding this matter. | Journalist | Part-Granted | 12/08/2021 |
| FOI-0261-2021 | 15/07/2021 | Correspondence between the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage and/or his officials, pertaining to the Amendment to exempt Cuckoo funds from the 10% stamp duty to the Finance Bill 2021, between 19/05/2021 to 07/07/2021. | Journalist | Refused | 13/08/2021 |
| FOI-0267-2021 | 20/07/2021 | Records relating to ecological assessments and any information relating to annex habitats between personnel in South Dublin County Council and NPWS for the time period 01/10/2020 to 20/07/2021 pertaining to the Master Plan for Rathcoole and its area. | Business/Interest Group | Part-Granted | 17/08/2021 |
| FOI-0263-2021 | 20/07/2021 | Records relating to Bull Island Nature Reserve and access points there between 01/01/2021-20/07/2021. Records relating to the scoping, planning, demolition and removal of the Old Lifeguard Hut at the southern end of the Bull Island Nature Reserve. | Business/Interest Group | Granted | 17/08/2021 |
| FOI-0265-2021 | 21/07/2021 | Correspondence between the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage and the Health Service Executive regarding the provision of homeless services in the context of the Covid-19 pandemic covering the period 01/01/2020 to 15/03/2020. | Journalist | Granted | 19/08/2021 |
| FOI-0268-2021 | 22/07/2021 | Copy/s of lease / licence for construction of a breakwater at greencastle harbour to Donegal County Council Ref No : MS51/15/661. Copy of all communications between the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage and Donegal County Council relating to a Lease/licence for the use of the seabed and foreshore of Lough Foyle. | Business/Interest Group | Part-Granted | 17/09/2021 |
| FOI-0269-2021 | 23/07/2021 | All inspection reports and complaints carried out/received by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage relating to Dublin Zoo from 01/01/2017 to 23/07/2021. All concerns received by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage in relation to the animals in Dublin Zoo from 01/01/2011 to 23/07/2021 Any external reports or investigations carried out at Dublin Zoo from 01/01/2017-23/07/2021. Copy of the post mortem of Gorilla Harry who died in 2016. | Business/Interest Group | Part-Granted | 01/09/2021 |
| FOI-0272-2021 | 27/07/2021 | The terms and conditions of the current licence given by the NPWS to the Dept of Agriculture, Food and the Marine and for the trapping, and culling/vaccination of badgers. | Business/Interest Group | Granted | 25/08/2021 |
| FOI-0279-2021 | 30/07/2021 | All records and correspondence with IBEC from 01/01/2021-30/07/2021 as per the lobbying returns. | Oireachtas/Public Representatives | Part-Granted | 30/08/2021 |
| FOI-0283-2021 | 30/07/2021 | All correspondence held by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage in relation to the definition of affordable housing / defining affordable housing from 01/02/2020 to 29/07/2021. | Oireachtas/Public Representatives | Part-Granted | 30/08/2021 |
| FOI-0281-2021 | 31/07/2021 | All correspondence held by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage in relation to cost rental equity returns from 29/7/2020 to 29/07/2021. | Oireachtas/Public Representatives | Granted | 30/08/2021 |
| FOI-0280-2021 | 31/07/2021 | All correspondence with Construction Industry Federation and Minister Darragh O' Brien from 01/01/2021 -30/07/2021 as per the lobbying returns. | Oireachtas/Public Representatives | Part-Granted | 30/08/2021 |
| FOI-0285-2021 | 03/08/2021 | Copies of any briefings, memos, submissions and reports prepared for the Minister and/or the Secretary General with regard to legislative amendments relating to so-called cuckoo funds between 01/05/2021 to 03/08/2021 | Business/Interest Group | Part-Granted | 28/09/2021 |
| FOI-0288-2021 | 03/08/2021 | Correspondence between the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage and the chief executive of the Dublin Region Homeless Executive and the chief executives of either of the four Dublin local authorities, on the topic of housing or homelessness, between 01/03/2021 and 02/08/2021. | Journalist | Refused | 31/08/2021 |
| FOI-0286-2021 | 03/08/2021 | Correspondence between the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage and the chair of An Bord Pleanála, between 01/03/2021 and 02/08/2021. | Journalist | Refused | 31/08/2021 |
| FOI-0287-2021 | 04/08/2021 | Correspondence between the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage and the chief executive of the Land Development Agency, between 01/03/2021 and 02/08/2021. | Business/Interest Group | Part-Granted | 31/08/2021 |
| FOI-0282-2021 | 04/08/2021 | All commissioned research, reports, memos and briefing notes on the issue of Housing Vacancy from 01/01/2021 to 04/08/2021. | Oireachtas/Public Representatives | Granted | 29/09/2021 |
| FOI-0291-2021 | 09/08/2021 | A table of the species of bird and/or animal affected by all capture/kill licenses from 01/01/2020 to 09/08/2021. | Journalist | Granted | 06/09/2021 |
| FOI-0278-2021 | 11/08/2021 | All commissioned research, reports, memos and briefing notes (Principal Officer level and above) regarding the right to housing in the period 01/01/2021 to 11/08/2021. | Oireachtas/Public Representatives | Part-Granted | 08/09/2021 |
| FOI-0295-2021 | 14/08/2021 | All records and submissions between Phelan Energy Group, Vulcan Consulting Limited and Minister Darragh O'Brien, Ciara Shaughnessy and Kevin Dillon during the period 01/01/2021 and 13/08/2021 as per the lobbying return. | Journalist | Part-Granted | 10/09/2021 |
| FOI-0297-2021 | 16/08/2021 | Copy of the Wildlife Unit, Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine, End of Year Report from 01/01/2010 to 31/12/2019 | Client | Granted | 13/09/2021 |
| FOI-0276-2021 | 18/08/2021 | Copies of all records held in Minister Peter Burke's email account relating to Spring Lane halting site for the period 01/05/2020 to 16/08/2021. | Journalist | Part-Granted | 15/09/2021 |
| FOI-0304-2021 | 25/08/2021 | Records relating to the report "A Review into Certain Planning Matters in respect of Donegal County Council" by Mr Rory Mulcahy S.C | Client | Refused | 22/09/2021 |
| FOI-0307-2021 | 26/08/2021 | Records relating to the report "A Review into Certain Planning Matters in respect of Donegal County Council" by Mr Rory Mulcahy S.C | Client | Refused | 23/09/2021 |
| FOI-0305-2021 | 26/08/2021 | Records relating to the report "A Review into Certain Planning Matters in respect of Donegal County Council" by Mr Rory Mulcahy S.C | Client | Refused | 23/09/2021 |
| FOI-0315-2021 | 31/08/2021 | Records relating to the report "A Review into Certain Planning Matters in respect of Donegal County Council" by Mr Rory Mulcahy S.C | Client | Refused | 28/09/2021 |
| FOI-0308-2021 | 31/08/2021 | All correspondence and minutes of meetings involving the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage or anyone above the grade of Principal Officer between 05/11/2020 and 31/08/2021 regarding planning matters as they pertain to the Gaeltacht. | Journalist | Granted | 28/09/2021 |
| FOI-0311-2021 | 31/08/2021 | Records relating to the report "A Review into Certain Planning Matters in respect of Donegal County Council" by Mr Rory Mulcahy S.C | Client | Refused | 28/09/2021 |
| FOI-0312-2021 | 31/08/2021 | Copy of the Rebuilding Ireland Home Loan Scheme Guidelines and The Covid19 Amendments to the Credit Policy held by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage. | Business/Interest Group | Part-Granted | 28/09/2021 |
| FOI-0314-2021 | 01/09/2021 | Records relating to a decision by the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to send a letter to the church seeking use of state lands for housing. | Journalist | Part-Granted | 29/09/2021 |

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| FOI-0296-2021 | 01/09/2021 | Records held by the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, Ministers of State, or Secretary General regarding an event hosted by former Minister Katherine Zappone held in the Merrion Hotel on 21/07/2021. | Oireachtas/Public Representatives | Refused | 29/09/2021 |
| FOI-0316-2021 | 02/09/2021 | Records relating to the choice of storm names by Met Eireann from 01/01/2021-02/09/2021. | Journalist | Part-Granted | 30/09/2021 |
| FOI-0317-2021 | 03/09/2021 | A copy of all management letters to local authority managers who were the subject of statutory audits by the Local Government Audit Service for the years 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 where the process has been completed. | Journalist | Part-Granted | 30/09/2021 |