

AIE - 2020

AIE Req No	Date Received	Requester	Subject	Decision Date	Decisions
AIE 1/1/2020	19-Mar-20	N/A	N/A	N/A	Withdrawn
AIE 2/1/2020	20-Mar-20	Journalist	In accordance with Access to Information on the Environment legislation. I wish to request the following: - All documentation relating to the pricing of possible tidal barriers at Great Island in Cork. This may have been provided by ARUP - All documentation relating to the pricing of possible tidal barriers at Little Island in Cork. This may have been provided by ARUP	17-Apr-20	Refused
AIE 3/1/2020	24-Mar-20	Journalist	In accordance with Access to Information on the Environment legislation. I wish to request the following: • All documentation relating to potential issues around subsidence which could occur in the context of the Lower Lee Flood Relief Scheme	21-Apr-20	Refused
AIE 4/1/2020	24-Mar-20	Journalist	In accordance with Access to Information on the Environment legislation. I wish to request the following: • All records that address in relation to integrated river basin management in relation to the Lower Lee Flood Relief Scheme from 01 Jan 2015 to 31 Dec 2017.	21-Apr-20	Refused
AIE 5/1/2020	27-Mar-20	N/A	N/A	N/A	Withdrawn
AIE 6/1/2020	27-Mar-20	N/A	N/A	N/A	Withdrawn
AIE 7/1/2020	08-Apr-20	Journalist	. All correspondence between senior management at the Office of Public Works (to include Chairman, Director of Corporate Services, Assistant Secretary, Commissioner for Heritage, State Architect, Commissioner for Flood Risk Management, and/or Director of Flood Risk Management) and senior management at Cork City Council (to include the Chief Executive and/or any of the Directors of Services) in relation to the Save Cork City campaign.	6-May-20	Refused
AIE 8/1/2020	11-Jun-20	N/A	N/A	N/A	Withdrawn
AIE 9/1/2020	10-Jul-20	Other	This is a request under the European Communities (Access to Information on the Environment) Regulations 2007. I seek a copy of all information relating to the decision to reopen certain roads to traffic within the Phoenix Park from 10th July 2020 as outlined in the statement at this link published 9th July 2020 https://www.gov.ie/en/news/d5d41-re-opening-of-phoenix-park-perimeter-gates/ In particular I seek information on the change of policy compared to this statement from 6th July 2020 https://www.gov.ie/en/news/2277b-opw-encourages-pedestrians-and-cyclists-to-enjoy-the-natural-landscape-of-the-park/	6-Aug-20	Granted
AIE 10/1/2020	22-Jul-20	Interest Group	I would like to request the following document under AIE regulations - I believe that copies of these documents are in possession of the Office of Public Works: 1. A copy of the report of the Douglas Flooding in June 2012 by RPS Consulting Engineers, commissioned by Cork County Council. 2. A copy of the follow up report into the Douglas Flooding in June 2012 by Paul Twomey and Associates, commissioned by Cork County Council	21-Aug-20	Refused

AIE 11/1/2020	29-Jul-20	Journalist	<p>Under the AIE Regulations, I am seeking the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a record/spreadsheet/database of the amount of money spent on pest control at the following location in each of 2018, 2019, and 2020: Áras an Uachtaráin. - a copy of any reports, memos, submissions, or other such review or overview documents relating to the issue of pest control at any of the above locations during the same period. - a record/spreadsheet/database of the amount of money spent on gardening or landscaping at the following location in each of 2018, 2019, and 2020: Áras an Uachtaráin. <p>When considering this request, I would ask that you pay close attention to the following decision: https://www.ocei.ie/decisions/right-to-know-clg-the-dep-1/ These are clearly OPW records and the information is clearly environmental in nature. I would prefer to receive this information electronically, ideally in its original electronic format.</p>	25-Aug-20	Granted
AIE 12/1/2020	29-Sep-20	Journalist	<p>I wish to make the following request under the Access to Information on the Environment Regulations in relation to the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A breakdown (in excel format except for points 5 and 6) of each case of hedgecutting carried out by the organisation or by a contractor on behalf of the organisation to cover the period of 1 March 2020 – 31 August 2020, to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> oDate; Location (Eircode where possible); oEstimated length of Hedge Cut in kilometers; oJustification/reason for the cutting; oCost of the work; oCopies of any pre-work assessment on each case of hedgecutting; oCopies of any post-work reports on each case of hedgecutting 2. A copy of any RFT (Request for Tender(s)) issued in 2020 in relation to hedge cutting 3. A copy of any hedgecutting policy and/or hedge cutting and biodiversity protection policy 	8-Oct-20	Refused
AIE 13/1/2020	1-Oct-20	N/A	N/A	N/A	Withdrawn

AIE 14/1/2020	30-Nov-20	Other	<p>I would like to request the following environmental information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • An explanation of the necessity of the works, in view of the ecosystem services provided by the trees and vegetation removed, particularly in regard to the interception of sediment, fertilizer, pesticide, etc. associated with the agricultural use of the field adjacent; • • An explanation of the necessity of the works, in view of the provision of an invaluable ecological corridor adjacent to a sensitive freshwater ecosystem used by Qualifying Interests of both the River Boyne and River Blackwater Special Area of Conservation and Special Protection Area; • • Whether mitigation measures as described in the document “Office of Public Works Arterial Drainage Maintenance Works – Boyne Arterial Drainage Scheme Natura Impact Statement” as prepared by JBA consultants were implemented, and if not, why not (cf. mitigation measures against the physical disturbance of habitats (and loss of wood vegetation cover); • • Whether an Ecological Impact Assessment was undertaken as regards the potential impact of the works on the ecological integrity of the River Boyne and River Blackwater system (i.e. those species/habitats for which the sites are not designated, but which are integral to the ecological integrity of the Natura 2000 sites – cf [2018] C-461/17 Holohan v An Bord Pleanála) – in particular potential impacts on Daubenton’s Bat, which are known to occur along this stretch of the river Blackwater in significant numbers; • • Whether an ecologist was present on site immediately prior to the works for a site inspection and a copy of any report associated with such an inspection; • • Whether the NPWS were informed of the works being undertaken, and any correspondence with NPWS; • • A copy of the site-specific biosecurity measures put in place, considering the ecological sensitivity of the site and the occurrence of numerous species present on Part (1) of the Third Schedule of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations of 2011 within the catchment; • • The location of the machinery/equipment utilized prior to their use at the subject site and treatment and any implications for works undertaken; • • Given the nature of the equipment (long-reach excavator) why was this equipment utilized given that it is typically utilized for dredging activity? and • • The constraints, if any, facing the OPW in undertaking their statutory obligations as regards to the prevention of any significant negative impacts on the Conservation Objectives of the Qualifying Interests of the Natura 2000 sites in question. 	23-Dec-20	Granted
---------------	-----------	-------	--	-----------	---------