

**Department of the Taoiseach****List of non-personal Freedom of Information requests granted****Quarter 2 2018**

<b>Reference No</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Completion Date</b>	<b>Status</b>
FOI/2018/0034	All correspondence between the Department and Apple Inc. including details of telephone calls, emails, memos and briefings from the period 14 November 2017 to 25 January 2018 inclusive. All correspondence between the Department and Facebook, including details of telephone calls, emails, memos and briefings from the period 14 June 2017 to 25 January 2018 inclusive. All correspondence between the Department and Amazon, including details of telephone calls, emails, memos and briefings from the period 14 June 2017 to 25 January 2018 inclusive. All correspondence between the Department and Twitter, including details of telephone calls, emails, memos and briefings from the period 14 June 2017 to 25 January 2018 inclusive. All correspondence between the Department and Google, including details of telephone calls, emails, memos and briefings from the period 14 June 2017 to 25 January 2018 inclusive.	03/04/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0039	According to the lobbying register, a meeting was held between the Taoiseach Leo Varadkar and payments company Stripe in the last quarter of 2017. I would like any memos, details of any presentations, briefing notes, correspondence etc relating to this meeting	21/02/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0041	All records relating to this entry in the lobbying database: <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/24302/microsoft-ireland-operations-ltd">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/24302/microsoft-ireland-operations-ltd</a> .	14/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0053	All correspondence between the Strategic Communications Unit and the Office of Government Procurement as well as all internal Department correspondence regarding budgets and costs associated with procurement tenders that the Office of Government Procurement is currently running on behalf of the Department of An Taoiseach in relation to the SCU.	04/05/2018	Part granted

FOI/2018/0055	All correspondence between the Department of Taoiseach and the Department of Education between January 1, 2017 and Feb 7, 2018, regarding the regulation of the internet for children, including the proposed digital age of consent, age restrictions for smartphone or internet use, measures to combat cyberbullying and measures to restrict access to gambling websites or apps by children. All correspondence between the Department of Taoiseach and the Department of Communications between January 1, 2017 and Feb 7, 2018, regarding the regulation of the internet for children, including the proposed digital age of consent, age restrictions for smartphone or internet use, measures to combat cyberbullying and measures to restrict access to gambling websites or apps by children. All correspondence between the Department of Taoiseach and the Department of Health between January 1, 2017 and Feb 7, 2018, regarding the regulation of the internet for children, including the proposed digital age of consent, age restrictions for smartphone or internet use, measures to combat cyberbullying and measures to restrict access to gambling websites or apps by children. All correspondence between the Department of Taoiseach and the Department of Children & Youth Affairs between January 1, 2017 and Feb 7, 2018, regarding the regulation of the internet for children, including the proposed digital age of consent, age restrictions for smartphone or internet use, measures to combat cyberbullying and measures to restrict access to gambling websites or apps by children.	09/04/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0061	All minutes of, agendas for and documents circulated at the inter-departmental committee on data-related issues. This request is limited to records created or received after 1 January 2017.	10/04/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0064	Copies of any records held or generated by the Department relating to public suggestion by Minister Jim Daly of proposal to link public service cards and/or other official forms of identification with social media accounts.	09/03/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0068	A copy of the business case prepared by the Department of the Taoiseach outlining the rationale and cost of the Parliamentary Liason Unit -the current number of staff employed in the Parliamentary Liason Unit -the annual cost of the Unit in salary terms -copies of all correspondence between the Unit and Independent Alliance Chief Strategist, Tony Williams, from November 1 to present -copies of all correspondence between the Unit and Political Coordinator for the Independent Ministers in Government, Donal Geoghegan, from November 1 to present.	22/02/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0071	All records of meetings held by the Strategic Communications Unit including presentations and records of notes from the meetings.	01/05/2018	Part granted

FOI/2018/0073	All briefing material including memos, background papers, preparatory advice, minutes of meetings, reports, correspondence, documents and publications between the Department of Taoiseach, Department of Finance and Department of Public Expenditure and Reform since 1st January 2018 in relation to the launch of the National Development Plan 2018-2027 and Project Ireland 2040 on 16th February 2018 in Sligo.	13/04/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0075	<p>The overall cost of the launching the Government's Ireland 2040 plan in Sligo IT on February 16, 2018.</p> <p>Could this please be broken up into:</p> <p>The amount spent on catering/hospitality.</p> <p>The spend on pull-up banners and other backdrops.</p> <p>The spend on lighting and sound</p> <p>The cost of stage set up</p> <p>If there were any costs associated with rental of the facilities, or hire of seating/furniture</p> <p>Cost of the two videos produced which were played at the launch</p> <p>The cost of printing the report and associated documents</p> <p>Any other remaining costs</p> <p>Separately could you provide me with information on the number of staff from both the Taoiseach's Office and the SCU who travelled to the event. The travel and accommodation expenses incurred by these staff in attending the event.</p>	27/04/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0077	<p>All records and details held in the Department in relation to the launch of Project Ireland 2040 in Sligo on February 16th. These to include, but not be limited to, the following:</p> <p>Accommodation costs for all officials attending the launch</p> <p>Accommodation costs for all (if any) guests attending the launch</p> <p>Expenses claimed by officials to date (Feb 21st) such as mileage re launch attendance</p> <p>Any catering costs for the launch in Sligo IT</p> <p>Video/audio productions costs for the launch</p> <p>Printing costs for launch brochures etc</p> <p>Audio-visual equipment purchase, rental or hire for the launch</p> <p>Advertisements in local and national media, including radio, print, online and cinema, both before and after the launch, including paid bookings for advertisements linked to Project Ireland 2040 going forward</p> <p>Any costs paid to Sligo IT for use of facilities</p> <p>Cost of external consultants for any reason, such as PR, marketing, branding, photography, videography.</p>	27/04/2018	Granted

FOI/2018/0078	All correspondence held by the Department related to the launch of Project Ireland 2040 in Sligo IT on Friday, 16 February 2018, from the period 01 January 2018 to the present date, including all correspondence from within the Strategic Communications Unit. Details of all costs incurred by the Department as part of the launch of Project Ireland 2040 in Sligo IT on Friday, 16 February 2018.	11/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0080	Copies of any letters or emails between Microsoft Ireland ( including the company's representative Rebecca Radloff) and Taoiseach Leo Varadkar and Department of Taoiseach officials (including John Callinan, John Shaw, Brian Murphy and John Carroll) concerning the company's "US Warrant Case" - the American legal action over accessing an email server in Dublin - dating between September 1, 2017 and January 31, 2018. Copies of any briefing notes for meetings or minutes of meetings between the aforementioned parties between the same dates.	14/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0081	All submissions received by the Department and/or Ministers on the digital age of consent from the period 01 January 2017 to the present date.	23/04/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0082	A breakdown on how much was spent on advertising and media campaigns for the Ireland 2040 plan, including regional, local and newspaper adverts, social media, television, cinema and radio adverts.	03/04/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0084	Correspondence between the Department of An Taoiseach and the Department of Education regarding the National Development Plan. Briefing material, if any, prepared for the Taoiseach and senior officials regarding bi-lateral meetings with the Department of Education regarding the National Development Plan.	17/04/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0086	Copies of all documents and communication received by, created by or otherwise held by the Strategic Communications Unit at the Department of the Taoiseach relating to media coverage of Project Ireland 2040: National Planning Framework. I am seeking documents and communication created or published in the period January 22nd 2018 to February 22nd 2018.	25/05/2018	Part granted

FOI/2018/0087	Any records, including but not limited to emails, letters, email attachments, and other correspondence between and within the strategic communications unit and/or the Department of Taoiseach, and media organisations, that relates to the effort to promote the Ireland 2040 plan through advertisements, sponsored content, partnership content and equivalents in the media in 2018. Any records, including but not limited to emails, letters, email attachments, and other correspondence between and within the strategic communications unit and/or the Department of Taoiseach, and media organisations, that relates to the effort to promote any other initiatives through advertisements, sponsored content, partnership content and equivalents in the media in 2018. Any records, including but not limited to emails, letters, email attachments, and other correspondence between and within the strategic communications unit and/or the Department of Taoiseach, and media organisations, that show the total amount budgeted for efforts to promote initiatives through advertisements, sponsored content, partnership content and equivalents in the media in 2018. Any records, including but not limited to emails, letters, email attachments, and other correspondence to or from or involving or mentioning Taoiseach Leo Varadkar that relates to the effort to promote initiatives through advertisements, sponsored content, partnership content and equivalents in the media in 2018.	31/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0088	All records relating to the commissioning of the advertising campaign for the Project Ireland 2040 project including all records relating to budgets and correspondence setting out the type of advertising to be purchased. (eg cinema, print etc). Please include all correspondence or memos relating to the design and cost of newspaper adverts and the selection of which newspapers would run advertorial content. Please include any records showing consultations with newspapers over the content that would run in these "features".	25/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0090	The annual budget allocated to the government's Strategic Communications Unit.	06/04/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0091	The amount paid by the Department/the SCU for sponsored content/advertorial content in relation to the Ireland 2040 National Development Plan, broken down by the amount paid to each title for national and regional. (This would related specifically to paid for sponsored written content, and would not relate to any traditional advertising taken out in relation to the Ireland 2040 Plan). Any correspondence sent by the Strategic Communications Unit and all regional or national newspapers in relation to the terms and specifications of sponsored content in relation to the Ireland 2040 plan (both sent and received) between 1st January 2018 and 27th February 2018. Any correspondence sent by the Strategic Communications Unit and MediaForce agency in relation to the terms and specifications of sponsored content in regional and national newspaper in relation to the Ireland 2040 plan (both sent and received) between 1st January 2018 and 27th February 2018.	25/05/2018	Part granted

FOI/2018/0092	All correspondence within the Strategic Communications Unit regarding sponsored content about the Ireland 2040 plan, which appeared in local, regional and national newspapers. All emails, briefing notes and memos prepared for An Taoiseach Leo Varadkar regarding sponsored content about the Ireland 2040 plan. All invoices, receipts and costs relevant to sponsored content which appeared in publications of Independent News and Media. All invoices, receipts and costs relevant to sponsored content which appeared in The Irish Times. All correspondence between the Strategic Communications Unit and The Irish Times or Independent News and Media. Minutes of any meeting between officials from the Strategic Communications Unit and The Irish Times or Independent News and Media. All contents of a WhatsApp group regarding the Strategic Communications Unit.	25/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0093	All of the documents relating to the media strategy and plan for Ireland 2040.	25/05/2015	Part granted
FOI/2018/0094	All emails, minutes and notes relating to MediaForce and its involvement in government advertising campaigns.	25/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0096	All correspondence and minutes of any meetings between the Strategic Communications Unit with media outlets and agencies (including contract details) on communicating the following: Project Ireland 2040; National Development Plan 2018-2027 and the National Planning Framework in the period to February 26 2018.	25/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0097	Copies of all final briefing notes compiled in 2007 and in 2018 regarding the information campaign and communications strategy for the 2007-2013 National Development Plan published in 2007, including the budget and role envisaged for the Strategic Communications Group over the lifetime of this plan.	14/05/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0100	All correspondence between the Department of Taoiseach and members of the National Emergency Co-ordination Group. All correspondence between the Strategic Communications Unit and members of the National Emergency Co-ordination Group. The range of dates for the documents requested is 01/10/17 to 26/02/18.	13/04/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0104	Records detailing 'communications risks' assembled by the Strategic Communications Unit, either internally generated or sent to the Department by other depts, or generated from briefings.	10/05/2018	Granted

FOI/2018/0108	All records including correspondence, memos, briefing documents relating to the advertising strategy of Project Ireland 2040, from September 1, 2017 to date. All records, including correspondence, memos, briefing documents relating to A) the promotion of Project Ireland 2040 in print and online media; B) the placement and positioning of Project Ireland 2040 promotions in print and online media; C) any briefings, requests or recommendations or emails relating to how the promotion should be headlined or billed within said media, whether as inhouse editorial, advertorial, special report, commercial report or any other; D) any briefings, requests or recommendations or emails relating to commissioning of copy/editorial on said promotion, and commissioning of journalists. All records relating to the promotion of Project Ireland 2040 between officials exchanged between the Department of Taoiseach and members of the Strategic Comms Unit and newspapers and online media between September 1 to date. All records relating to the promotion of Project Ireland 2040 between officials exchanged between the Department of Taoiseach and members of the Strategic Comms Unit and broadcast media between September 1 to date. Copies of content of messages in Whatsapp groups used by members of Strategic Comms Unit team and others that relate to Project Ireland 2040, from September 1 to date.	25/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0106	1. All correspondence between the Strategic Communications Unit (SCU) and Mediaforce Ireland related to the Project Ireland 2040 publicity campaign, including the information supplied for the purposes of newspaper advertorials and any directions given to Mediaforce. 2. All correspondence between staff in the SCU and the Office of An Taoiseach Leo Varadkar including any correspondence between staff in the SCU and advisers to the Taoiseach between the period 14 June 2017 and 01 March 2018. 3. All correspondence between staff in the SCU and Government Press Secretary Nick Miller between the period 14 June 2017 and 01 March 2018. 4. All correspondence between staff in the SCU and Assistant Government Press Secretary Sarah Meade between the period 14 June 2017 and 01 March 2018.	11/05/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0110	Access to John Concannon's diary since he was appointed Director of the SCU. I would also like to access details of any meetings between the SCU and INM, and the total amount paid to INM for media partnerships and promotions in the last year.	31/05/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0111	A list of all Department files (including file names and dates) which are 30 years or older, which have not been released for public view under the provisions of the National Archives Act, along with stated reason (eg; public interest, cause distress or danger to living persons, etc) for their being withheld from public view.	03/04/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0113	Copies of all meeting minutes between the Strategic Communications Unit and State Agencies in the period since the Unit was established.	21/05/2018	Part granted

FOI/2018/0115	All internal correspondence in the Department of the Taoiseach in relation to the Ireland Project 2040 advertorials controversy since it emerged on February 23. All internal correspondence in the Department of the Taoiseach in relation to the future of the SCU and the review taking place since the advertorials controversy emerged on February 23. All Department correspondence with MediaForce since February 23. All internal correspondence from the 15 members of the SCU since the advertorials controversy emerged on February 23. All internal correspondence from the 15 members of the SCU in relation to the future of the SCU and the review taking place since the advertorials controversy emerged on February 23. All SCU correspondence with MediaForce since February 23.	26/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0117	A list of all payments (or amounts owing) to newspapers, radio stations or media organisations for advertisements/advertorials relating to Ireland 2040, along with details of when each advert/advertorial was published/broadcast.	17/04/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0119	All correspondence between the National Emergency Coordination Group and connected officials and the Taoiseach's Office - date Feb 19- March 7 inclusive. This correspondence may include but is not limited to emails, letters, SMS or texts, faxes, memos, minutes of meetings and notes of phone-calls.	13/04/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0120	All internal records relating to Storm Emma and related adverse weather to include briefing notes, internal memos and minutes of meetings.	13/04/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0121	Copies of all correspondence between your Department and the Houses of the Oireachtas regarding disputed unpaid bar/restaurant bills of €965.47 by the Department of the Taoiseach (which were subsequently written off last year). Copies of all records held by your Department relating to the above.	17/04/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0122	Copies of all direct email/text correspondence between Martin Fraser and John Concannon in the period 1 July 2017 to the current date.	31/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0123	All records and details held in the Dept concerning the three meetings - or more if there have been - of the oversight group of the Strategic Communications Unit. These to include, but not be limited to, the following: Details of the attendees at each meeting The minutes of each of the meetings Any submissions or correspondence received by the oversight group Any submissions or correspondence sent by the oversight group Specifically, any communications from, or to, the Taoiseach, Leo Varadkar.	10/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0124	Copies of communications/correspondence between Mr Paddy Cosgrave, of Web Summit, and Mr John Callinan, Assistant General Secretary at the Department of the Taoiseach and between Mr Paddy Cosgrave of Web Summit and Mr Nick Reddy, Private Secretary to the Taoiseach in 2015.	09/04/2018	Part granted



FOI/2018/0125	All correspondence held by the Department either to or from the editors of all national, regional and local newspapers between the period 14 June 2017 and 09 March 2018. All correspondence held by the Department either to or from Local Ireland between the period 14 June 2017 and 09 March 2018. All correspondence held by the Department either to or from Iconic Newspapers between the period 14 June 2017 and 09 March 2018. All correspondence held by the Department either to or from Landmark Media between the period 14 June 2017 and 09 March 2018.	07/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0126	Copies of all records and details held in the Department relating to correspondence from the press offices of government departments to the Strategic Communications Unit, or, prior to the establishment of the SCU, to the relevant persons, be they in the Department of the Taoiseach, or in the Government Information Service. I would request the search for documents be limited to dates between July 1st to November 31st 2017. Copies of records requested to include, but not be limited to: All communications from press officers or officials from the communications/media sections of all 15 Government departments . All communications to press officers or officials from the communications/media sections of all 15 Government departments.	21/05/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0127	The emails, costings and any other documents such as course notes and attendance lists relating to Titanium Media's two day training with officials in the dept and other govt dept which took place in January. I'd like my request to include all correspondence with Titanium and internally before and after the training took place. <a href="https://twitter.com/glenbmulcahy/status/954633327461494784">https://twitter.com/glenbmulcahy/status/954633327461494784</a>	16/04/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0128	A detailed breakdown, in tabular form, of all expenditure of the NAMA Commission of Investigation under the Honorable John D Cooke, since its inception to date, including payments to counsel, tribunal staff, expenses, IT, specialist work etc.	16/04/2018	Granted

FOI/2018/0129	<p>Copies of all records and details held in the Department relating to the costs of the regional events to promote Project Ireland 2040 organised by the Strategic Communications Unit. I would like to see copies of records relating to the two events held to date, namely, Cork and Waterford on Friday March 9th. I would also like to request copies of any records relating to future regional events for Project Ireland 2040 booked as part of the launch promotion. The search to include, but not be limited to:</p> <p>Accommodation costs for all ministers and officials attending the launches. Accommodation costs for all (if any) guests attending the launches. Any expenses claimed by officials to date such as mileage re launch attendance. Any catering costs for the launches. Video/audio productions costs for the launches. Printing costs for launch brochures etc. Audio-visual equipment purchase, rental or hire for the launches. Advertisements in local and national media, including radio, print, online and cinema, both before and after the regional launches, including paid bookings for advertisements linked to Project Ireland 2040 going forward. Any costs paid to UCC or Waterford IT for use of facilities. Cost of external consultants for any reason, such as PR, marketing, branding, photography, videography etc.</p>	21/05/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0130	<p>The latest costs and expenses, including breakdowns of such, associated with the Moriarty Tribunal. This should include specific details of payments to lawyers, on any PR, on rental or stationary costs and all associated costs for the tribunal. In all cases where possible, the amounts paid to individuals, companies or entities should be specified and for what, if possible (i.e. so many hours work etc). The period for the FOI search and retrieval of these expense and cost breakdowns should be since the Moriarty Tribunal reported in 2011 until the current day.</p>	12/04/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0131	<p>The latest costs and expenses, including breakdowns of such, associated with the Fennelly Inquiry. This should include specific details of payments to lawyers, on any PR, on rental or stationary costs and all associated costs for the Inquiry. In all cases where possible, the amounts paid to individuals, companies or entities should be specified and for what, if possible (i.e. so many hours work etc). The period for the FOI search and retrieval of these expense and cost breakdowns should be since the Inquiry was set up until the current day.</p>	17/04/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0132	<p>The latest costs and expenses, including breakdowns of such, associated with the Project Eagle Inquiry. This should include specific details of payments to lawyers, on any PR, on rental or stationary costs and all associated costs for the Inquiry. In all cases where possible, the amounts paid to individuals, companies or entities should be specified and for what, if possible (i.e so many hours work etc). The period for the FOI search and retrieval of these expense and cost breakdowns should be since the Inquiry was set up until the current day.</p>	16/04/2018	Granted

FOI/2018/0135	All correspondence with Microsoft, agendas for meetings, minutes of minutes, briefing notes prepared for Taoiseach in advance of meetings, briefing notes for officials/advisors in advance of meetings that relate to the following engagement with Microsoft <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/25363/microsoft-ireland-operations-ltd">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/25363/microsoft-ireland-operations-ltd</a> . I would also like all correspondence, agendas for meetings, minutes of meetings, briefing notes prepared for meetings with Microsoft since 1 Jan 2018 (including the Taoiseach's visit to Leopardstown to open their new building).	20/04/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0137	Records, including correspondence, between 1st March 2017 and 28th February 2018 concerning the Council of Europe. Records, including correspondence, between 1st March 2017 and 28th February 2018 concerning Mr Joe O'Reilly, Senator in Seanad Eireann, and his previous role at the Council of Europe. Records, including correspondence, between 1st March 2017 and 28th February 2018 concerning Mr Joe O'Reilly, Senator in Seanad Eireann, and his current role at the Council of Europe (he was recently re-appointed by the Taoiseach to the Council of Europe Parliamentary Assembly). Records, including correspondence, between 1st March 2017 and 28th February 2018 concerning the independent external investigation which is carrying out a detailed independent inquiry into the allegations of corruption and fostering of interests made against certain Council of Europe Parliamentary Assembly members or former members (the investigation was announced by the Council of Europe in April 2017).	23/04/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0140	Any correspondence by the organisers of the World Meeting of Families with the Taoiseach's Office since the start of 2017.	20/04/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0141	Any records relating to any contributions the SCU made to parliamentary question responses or speeches for Ministers since the SCU was founded.	23/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0142	The letter sent by Paul Hewson, aka Bono, to the Taoiseach on December 20, 2017. Please include any response sent by the Taoiseach. Any correspondence to or from Denis O'Brien since the Taoiseach was appointed.	20/04/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0143	All email correspondence between Microsoft Ireland and any of the following members of the Department of the Taoiseach - Taoiseach Leo Varadkar, Head of Unit John Carroll, Assistant Secretary, John Callinan and Chief of Staff Brian Murphy - in relation to the US warrants case during the period 1 Sep, 2017 to 31 Dec, 2017 . Minutes of any meetings held between Microsoft Ireland's Rebecca Radloff and any of the following members of the Department of the Taoiseach - Taoiseach Leo Varadkar, Head of Unit John Carroll, Assistant Secretary, John Callinan and Chief of Staff Brian Murphy - in relation to the US warrants case during the period 1 Sep, 2017 to 31 Dec, 2017 . This request is based on the following lobbying register return - <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/23951/ibec">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/23951/ibec</a>	12/06/2018	Part granted

FOI/2018/0144	All correspondence related to the Taoiseach's recent St Patrick's Week trip to the United States including any briefing documents as well as correspondence with officials in State agencies and officials in the United States government in the run up to and during the visit. This request should cover the period 01 January 2018 to 20 March 2018.	16/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0145	A full and detailed breakdown of costs relating to Taoiseach Leo Varadkar's trip to the USA over the St Patrick's Day period. I seek: Flight costs (and details of class of travel) for Taoiseach and his entourage Accommodation costs for delegation Any spend on entertainment (food etc) including venues and copies of receipts	19/04/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0146	A copy of John Concannon's official diary from the date of his appointment in 2017 to date.	31/05/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0148	Copies of the following records: 1. Any and all records generated by or held by the Department concerning the Commission of Investigation into Irish Bank Resolution Corporation established pursuant to S.I. No. 256/2015(the "Commission") in respect of the appointment or engagement, by or on behalf of the Commission, of any experts or external advisors to provide any advice, opinions, evidence or assistance to the Commission in relation to any matter within its Terms of Reference, and to include any and all records relating to: 1.1 Any approvals given by the specified Minister (i.e. the Taoiseach) and any consents given by the Minister for Finance in respect of such appointments and/or in respect of the terms of the appointments; 1.2 Any request made by or on behalf of the Commission for the services of any experts/external advisors; 1.3 Any competitive tendering process used in the selection of such experts/external advisors, including details of any guidelines followed in respect of such process; 1.4 Any consultations between the relevant Minister and the Chairman of the Commission in respect of any such competitive tendering process; 1.5 Any deliberations and/or decision making by the Commission or the specified Minister in considering whether to direct that a competitive tendering process be used; 1.6 Any other deliberations and/or decision making which led to the appointment/engagement of these experts/external advisors; 1.7 The terms on which such experts/external advisors were appointed to provide any advice, opinions or evidence to the Commission; 1.8 The functions to be performed by any such experts/external advisors and 1.9 The matters in respect of which any experts/external advisors have been asked to provide any advice, opinions or evidence to the Commission.	11/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0149	Copies of all emails sent between Patrick Geoghegan and Leo Varadkar on the subject of speeches and social media posts to be made by the Taoiseach. Please also include any correspondence in relation to reaction (eg criticism or praise) of speeches.	20/04/2018	Part granted

FOI/2018/0150	A copy of the "profanity dictionary", and all words/terms included in it, used by the Department to protect staff from abuse through electronic mail, along with copy of policy on profanity use. Records on the number of emails quarantined, then subsequently blocked or released because of the profanity policy since January 1 2017.	23/04/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0152	Copies of internal audits from your Department over the past 12 months.	26/04/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0153	All complaints – to include but not limited to telephone call, e-mails, letters - received by the Department of the Taoiseach in relation to the Taoiseach's trip to the United States of America in March 2018. I wish for my request to cover the period from 10/3/18 to the date this request was received.	26/04/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0155	All documents and relevant material, including correspondence with other agencies and Departments, in relation to a proposed public relations strategy based on Garda crime statistics. The period under which I wish to request this data is from 1 June 2017 to date.	26/04/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0157	Copies of all correspondence to and from the Taoiseach's private email account or accounts which relates to government business from the period 14 June 2017 to the present day. A copy of the Department of the Taoiseach's IT policy which refers to the use of private email accounts. Any correspondence held by the Department related to the most recent review of the use of private email accounts by the Taoiseach and Ministers.	09/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0160	A breakdown of expenditure for the Government Information Service, to include but not limited to staffing costs (including a breakdown of positions and associated pay grades) and expense claims. I wish for my request to cover the period between 1/1/16 – 28/3/18.	27/04/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0161	All reports, briefing notes and memos generated as part of the 'Research and Insights' function of the Strategic Communications Unit for the period between 12/9/17-1/1/18.	15/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0162	Copies of all emails sent to the Taoiseach's private gmail address (or any of his other private email addresses) from the Department of the Taoiseach in the period 1 November 2017 to the current date.	09/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0163	A list of all the tweets that were "promoted" by the MerrionStreet Twitter account in the period 1 July 2017 to the current date. A description of the audience targeted/selected to see each of these promoted tweets. How much was spent on each of these promoted tweets.	01/05/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0164	A list of all the Facebook ads used for posts on the merrionstreet account in the period 1 July 2017 to the current date. A description of the audience targeted/selected to see each of these Facebook ads. How much was spent on each of these promoted posts.	01/05/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0165	Copies of any records held relating to a phone call made by the Taoiseach to either Fáilte Ireland or Clare County Council regarding possible wind farm development near Doonbeg Golf Course.	27/04/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0166	Copies of all correspondence in relation to Leo Varadkar's trip to America and meeting with Donald Trump to include all complaints lodged plus any correspondence praising him for his actions.	30/04/2018	Part granted

FOI/2018/0167	A copy of any guidance distributed to government departments on the conduct of staff, or their involvement in campaigning, during the referendum campaign on the 8th amendment.	19/04/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0168	A copy of all letters/emails received by the Taoiseach from members of the public on the referendum on the 8th amendment. Such documents to cover the period between January 1st 2018 to Mar 29th 2018.	08/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0169	Copies of all correspondence from individual members of the public (but including former politicians and all clergy) addressed to the Taoiseach on the subject of abortion [and/or associated consideration, hearings, referendum, legislation] within the timeframe March 1, 2018 to April 1, 2018. Also for a list of any enclosed items received in such correspondence, i.e., miraculous medals, rosary beads, plastic items, prayer cards, photographs of surgical procedures, etc., whether such items were disposed of, or not.	01/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0170	Copies of all contacts made to and from the Taoiseach's Department in relation to Pope Francis' visit to Ireland, since Mr Varadkar took office. This should include copies of emails and letters and any other correspondence received by or sent by the Taoiseach's Department.	02/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0171	Copy of all correspondence (including emails) between (to and from) the office of the Taoiseach Leo Varadkar and those listed below since January 1, 2018: Environment Minister Denis Naughten; Senator Maura Hopkins; Senator Frank Feighan; Senator Gabrielle McFadden; Deputy Peter Burke; Deputy Tony McLoughlin.	04/05/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0172	Details of all correspondence sent to the Taoiseach, Leo Varadkar, regarding abortion and the abortion referendum, including copies of letters and emails plus descriptions of any other items sent in between the dates of January 1 and March 31, 2018.	08/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0173	Minutes of all meetings held between the Strategic Communications Unit and media organisations between September 2017 and April 2018.	21/06/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0175	The appointments diary of the Minister of State for European Affairs, Helen McEntee, from her appointment in June 2017 to March 31st 2018.	03/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0176	Records in relation to payments made to Institution of International and European Affairs (IIEA) for the calendars years 2015, 2016, 2017 and any payments made thus far in 2018.	02/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0179	All of the correspondence between the Department and MediaForce for the last year.	20/06/2018	Granted

FOI/2018/0180	The total number of new homes completed in 2017 as recorded on the Building Control management System Statutory register for 2017. Copies of reports and correspondence between the Department of Housing (incl LGMA and Local Authorities) and the Department of the Taoiseach in relation to housing construction activity and new house and apartment building figures for 2017.	15/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0182	All correspondence between the Taoiseach and any politician or official in Sinn Féin between the period 14 June 2017 and 10 April 2018. All correspondence between the Taoiseach's special advisers and any politician or official in Sinn Féin between the period 14 June 2017 and 10 April 2018.	17/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0183	All correspondence, documents, media briefing notes, meetings, minutes of meetings and emails between the Department of An Taoiseach and his officials; and to other departments and Minister's offices relating the Taoiseach's comments comparing Irish homeless figures to international homeless figures, from 10 November 2017 to 31 December 2017. Please include any correspondence with press officers, advisers and press advisers.	10/05/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0185	All correspondence between the Department and Apple Inc. including details of telephone calls, emails, memos and briefings from the period 25 January 2018 to 03 April 2018 inclusive. All correspondence between the Department and Facebook, including details of telephone calls, emails, memos and briefings from the period 25 January 2018 to 03 April inclusive. All correspondence between the Department and Amazon, including details of telephone calls, emails, memos and briefings from the period 25 January 2018 to 03 April 2018 inclusive. All correspondence between the Department and Twitter, including details of telephone calls, emails, memos and briefings from the period 25 January 2018 to 03 April 2018 inclusive. All correspondence between the Department and Google, including details of telephone calls, emails, memos and briefings from the period 25 January 2018 to 03 April 2018 inclusive.	18/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0186	Access to the following records which are non-personal and which I believe are held by the Department, dated between January 1, 2017 and the date of this letter. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> record or all correspondence to and from the Taoiseach's office in reference to the Kerry Babies case (the investigation into the discovery of a baby's body on a beach in Co Kerry in 1984). <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> record of all all briefing documents, memos, reports and draft reports prepared for the Taoiseach about the Kerry Babies case. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> record of all speeches, draft speeches, notes and documents linked to the Taoiseach's apology on the back of the Kerry Babies case.	23/05/2018	Part granted

FOI/2018/0187	Access to the following records which are non-personal and which I believe are held by the Department, dated between June 14, 2017 and October 1, 2017. A record of emails forwarded from Taoiseach Leo Varadkar's personal Gmail account to his official Department of Taoiseach email account. A record of all emails to and from the Taoiseach's Gmail account and other officials in the Department of Taoiseach. A record of email threads, email conversations and internal correspondence that include the Taoiseach's personal Gmail account.	14/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0189	All documents/reports/minutes of meetings/briefing materials/emails/letters/correspondence between the Department of Taoiseach and Mediaforce from January 2016-present.	20/06/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0191	How much money has the Department spent on air travel between January 2016 and December 2017? Please specify breakdown of spend with specific airlines. Does the Department collect or accumulate air miles/credits from frequent flier programmes on flights booked and paid for by the department or do staff members travelling collect their air miles/credits personally? How are the benefits of the air miles/credits used by the Department? Are staff permitted to use accumulated airmiles for personal travel or to purchase items from frequent flier programmes? If staff are permitted to use airmiles for personal travel, does the Department treat this as benefit in kind?	15/05/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0192	Copies of all contacts, if any, to and from the Department between or about Sheryl Sandberg and Taoiseach Varadkar since he took office. This should include representations made on their behalf, emails, invitations, calls or letters between the two since Mr Varadkar become Taoiseach.	18/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0194	All communications and details of meetings between Ministers, staff and representatives of the Department of the Taoiseach and any persons working for or on behalf of Amazon Inc, Amazon UK or any of its Irish subsidiaries and companies.	26/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0196	All communications and details of meetings between Ministers, staff and representatives of the Department of the Taoiseach and any persons working for or on behalf of Facebook Inc, Whatsapp, Instagram or any of its Irish subsidiaries and companies.	28/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0197	All communications and details of meetings between Ministers, staff and representatives of the Department of the Taoiseach and any persons working for or on behalf of LinkedIn Inc or any of its Irish subsidiaries and companies.	25/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0198	All communications and details of meetings between Ministers, staff and representatives of the Department of the Taoiseach and any persons working for or on behalf of Twitter Inc, Twitter UK or any of its Irish subsidiaries and companies.	22/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0199	A copy of all receipts and expense claims made by members of the Oireachtas, Government staff and public officials attending the National Emergency Co-ordination Group. I wish for my request to cover the period between 1/6/17 – 17/4/18.	17/05/2018	Granted



FOI/2018/0203	All correspondence received from official Catholic Church counterparties regarding the Repeal of the 8th Amendment from start 2018. Correspondence received from universities/academics regarding same, for same time period.	23/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0205	A list of all staff, officeholders (to include Taoiseach, Ministers of State, Chief Whip), spouses, or partners who travelled abroad for St Patrick's Day 2018 on official departmental business. A table of costs associated with their travel to include flights, hotel, transport, entertainment, gifts, dining, subsistence, and all other related expenditure. Copies of the actual invoices/receipts relating to all of the above.	25/05/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0206	The amount of money paid by the Department to consultancy companies since 2014 and a breakdown of that spend by year and company.	28/05/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0213	All records relating to this record in the lobbying database: <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/27175/aughinish-alumina-limited">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/27175/aughinish-alumina-limited</a> .	27/06/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0215	Copies of all correspondence between the public and the Department of the Taoiseach regarding CervicalCheck/cancer screening services from April 1 2018 to present.	12/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0217	Records for the period 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 & 2018: Breakdown of the total amount spent on ICT Equipment by the Department in each calendar year. Breakdown of the total amount spent on ICT Software by the Department in each calendar year. Breakdown of the total amount spent on ICT Services by the Department in each calendar year. The name and company details of each provider of ICT Equipment, Software or Services provided to the Department, and the value of each individual contract, and the duration of the contract. Breakdown of the total amount spent on training for Department staff or personnel on GDPR training or awareness, cyber security training or awareness, data protection training or awareness, and the names of the providers of this service.	11/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0218	The amount spent by the Department on Facebook advertisements in 2017. The amount spent by the Department on Facebook advertisements in the first 5 months of 2018. The amount spent by the Department on Google advertisements in 2017. The amount spent by the Department on Google advertisements in the first 5 months of 2018.	13/06/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0219	Organic reach and paid reach figures for the Twitter and Facebook campaigns covered by FOI/2018/0163.	14/06/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0220	Records of the mobile phone usage of the then-Taoiseach, Enda Kenny TD, for the month of February 2017. Records of the mobile phone usage of the then-Chief of Staff, Mark Kennelly, for the month of February 2017. Records of the mobile phone usage of the then-Government Press Secretary, Feargal Purcell, for the month of February 2017. The Taoiseach's diary of events/engagements for February 2017.	07/06/2018	Part granted

FOI/2018/0221	Access to any minutes / memos / briefings arising out of the meeting between Mars Ireland and Eamonn Molloy as outlined in the following lobbying return: <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/28291/mars-foods-ireland-limited-ta-mars-ireland">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/28291/mars-foods-ireland-limited-ta-mars-ireland</a> .	27/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0223	A breakdown of the number of male staff employed by the Department and their pay grade, and a breakdown of the numbers of female staff employed by the Department and their pay grade, as of December 31 2016, December 31 2017 and December 31 2018.	26/06/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0225	All records relating to this entry in the lobbying database: <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/28291/mars-foods-ireland-limited-ta-mars-ireland">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/28291/mars-foods-ireland-limited-ta-mars-ireland</a> . All records relating to this entry in the lobbying database: <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/28287/mars-foods-ireland-limited-ta-mars-ireland">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/28287/mars-foods-ireland-limited-ta-mars-ireland</a> .	27/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0226	The Taoiseach's diary dated January 1 2018 to May 21 2018.	26/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0229	Any minutes / briefings / memos relating to the meeting between the Taoiseach and Coca Cola as outlined in the following lobbying return: <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/28239/coca-cola-ireland">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/28239/coca-cola-ireland</a>	19/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0230	Copies of any correspondence or minutes / notes / briefings relating to any meetings between MSD and/or Liz O'Donnell and the Taoiseach and / or Nick Miller or Brian Murphy during 2018. Details of the correspondence / meetings are outlined in the following lobbying return: <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/29003/msd">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/29003/msd</a> .	22/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0231	All records relating to this entry in the lobbying database: <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/29537/stripe">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/29537/stripe</a> .	19/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0232	All records relating to this entry in the lobbying database: <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/27335/ibm">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/27335/ibm</a>	19/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0233	Any minutes/memos/briefings/correspondence relating to the meeting between the Representative Church Body and Taoiseach/Government on January 22 as referred to in the following lobbying return: <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/28374/the-representative-church-body">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/28374/the-representative-church-body</a>	26/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0236	Any minutes/memos/briefings relating to the meeting between the American Chamber of Commerce and Martin Fraser/John Callinan/John Shaw as referred to in the following lobbying return: Details of some of this lobbying is referred to in the following lobbying return: <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/27846/american-chamber-of-commerce-ireland">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/27846/american-chamber-of-commerce-ireland</a>	13/06/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0237	Any minutes / memos / briefings relating to the meeting between the DAA and Martin Fraser during 2018. Details of the meeting are outlined in the following lobbying return: <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/29069/daa-plc">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/29069/daa-plc</a>	12/06/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0241	Any minutes / briefings / memos relating to the meeting between Stripe's John Collison and the Taoiseach about technology policy during 2018. The meeting is referred to in the following lobbying return: <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/29537/stripe">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/29537/stripe</a>	19/06/2018	Part granted

FOI/2018/0242	All electronic and written correspondence from the Department of The Taoiseach involving the Taoiseach and any officials, including letters, emails and memos, to and from Dee Forbes, and communication to and from the Taoiseach's office and any other staff members in RTE, between June 14, 2017 to date.	21/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0244	Any correspondence between Slane Castle Irish Whiskey and Minister McEntee during 2018. Details of some correspondence is referred to below. <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/28718/slane-castle-irish-whiskey-ltd">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/28718/slane-castle-irish-whiskey-ltd</a>	19/06/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0248	All electronic and written correspondence held by the Department of The Taoiseach, to and from the Taoiseach and any senior departmental officials, to and from Bono / aka Paul Hewson, or any other members of U2 (Adam Clayton, Larry Mullen Jnr, David Evans) from February 1, 2018 to the present.	20/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0250	All electronic and written correspondence held by the Department of The Taoiseach, including letters, emails, memos, and any other forms of written documentation, in relation to Ann Lovett, from 1984 to the present. These should include, but not be limited to, any correspondence from An Garda Siochana, Health officials, Government Ministers and Deputies, the Lovett family and letters/information from the public regarding her death.	27/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0253	All electronic and written correspondence within the Department of An Taoiseach between Mr Jim D'Arcy and An Taoiseach, and also with senior officials in the Department and An Taoiseach, including letters, memos, background papers, preparatory advice, documents in relation to Mr D'Arcy's role as an adviser on matters pertaining to Northern Ireland and Brexit from 1st October 2017 to the present day. Furthmore I wish to request details of any remuneration and expense claims paid to Mr. D'Arcy from 1st October 2017 to the present day.		Part granted
FOI/2018/0255	The rerelease of a letter sent to the Taoiseach on abortion services or clinics in Ireland, which would have been sent between mid March and mid April.	07/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0256	A copy of all internal audits completed within the Department between 1st May 2017 and 7th June 2018.	26/06/2017	Part granted
FOI/2018/0257	A breakdown of the €31,996.19 spend on miscellaneous expenses in 2017.	22/06/2018	Granted
FOI/2018/0259	Names of all the courses, conferences and seminars attended by staff, the number of staff who attended and the cost per each course, conference and seminar, for the 2017 and up to June 2018.		Granted
FOI/2018/0270	Taoiseach Leo Vradkar's diaries in full for the year of 2017.	26/06/2018	Part granted
FOI/2018/0272	The minutes of the lobbying meetings between John Collison of Stripe and Taoiseach Leo Varadkar on the matter of technology policy. I am also seeking any relevant communications between both sides on what was discussed at these meetings. The meetings took place between January 1st 2018 and April 30th 2018 as referenced on the lobbying register <a href="https://www.lobbying.ie/return/29537/stripe">https://www.lobbying.ie/return/29537/stripe</a> .	26/06/2018	Part granted

FOI/2018/0276	<p>These FOI's have already been granted as per your published FOI logs - I would simply like a copy to be sent as is. Copies of any reports, submissions, briefing documents, memoranda signing off and/or discussing the requirement for tender competition for reports that will examine the public's perception of Government, its services and to undertake a rolling tracker of attitudes to government projects. All electronic and written correspondence to and from the Strategic Communications Unit in the Department of the Taoiseach to and from other government departments, including any meeting minutes, emails, reports, briefing notes and memos from the period it was established to present. All correspondence between this Department and DexEU since that Department's inception. Records of all meetings between this Department and DexEU since that Department's inception, to include minutes, briefing notes and correspondence relating to same. Copies of all correspondence from business groups making representations or comments to the Department about Brexit and memos or notes of any meetings held between the Minister or department officials with business groups concerning representations or comments made about Brexit since January 1st, 2017. Copies of all records referencing the Church of Scientology held by the Minister and the Department, from January 2016 to date. Copies of all records referencing Narconon; referencing Criminon; referencing Drug-Free World; referencing Citizens Commission on Human Rights; referencing The Way to Happiness. Correspondence with Vatican officials relating to the Papal visit for the years 2016, 2017, 2018. Internal records, to include correspondence, meeting minutes, briefing notes, etc, relating to the Papal visit. Copies of any briefing documents, minutes of meetings, or notes of telephone conversations generated by discussions between the Strategic Communications Unit and other similar units in other jurisdictions. This request to exclude the document already released to me relating to a meeting with Government Communications Unit in London. A copy of all credit card receipts relating to expenditure incurred by the Strategic Communications Unit or staff within the unit. I wish for my request to cover the period between 6/9/17 - 28/2/18.</p>	25/06/2018	Granted
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