

## AIE Requests - 2022

AIE Req No	Date Received	Requester	Subject	Decision Date	Decision
AIE-1-1-2022	12-Jan-22	Interest Group	Please provide the following information under the European Communities (Access to Information on the Environment Directive 2003/4/EC) and Irish Regulations 2007 to 2014 (S.I. No. 133 of 2007, S.I. No. 662 of 2011 and S.I. No. 615 of 2014) and the UNECE Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters [the Aarhus Convention] in the format of electronic files: Your Review of the approach to flood project appraisal undertaken in 2021 with its recommendations to expand the range of potential benefits included within the analysis to better capture the indirect and / or intangible environmental, cultural heritage and societal benefits and any related documentation/communications.	11-Feb-22	Granted
AIE-2-2-2022	17-Jan-22	Interest Group	'The Natural Water Retention Measures (NWRM) Working Group was established to advise the National Technical Implementation Group of the Water Framework Directive on the use of NWRM through Nature and Based Catchment Management Solution [NbCMS]. The working group met three times in 2019 and once in 2020. The working group produced two reports, 'Overview and Recommendations for Use in Ireland' and 'Evidence and Opportunities for use in Ireland'. These reports were both finalised in 2020 and presented to the National Technical Implementation Group for their consideration. Please provide the Minutes of the Committee and any documents circulated. Please provide copies of 'Overview and Recommendations for Use in Ireland' and 'Evidence and Opportunities for use in Ireland'.'	17-Feb-22	Part Granted
AIE-3-1-2022	07-Feb-22	Other	All submissions on the Blackpool FRS in 2015 and 2016. In digital format please.	15-Feb-22	Granted
AIE-4-1-2022	21-Feb-22	Other	Can you please send the annual programme of statutory Arterial Drainage Maintenance scheduled for this year. I would like the information in its original digital format please.	20-Apr-22	Granted
AIE-5-1-2022	21-Feb-22	Other	I would like to request the schedule of works to be completed under the Arterial Drainage Act for 2022. A schedule, for the avoidance of doubt, the word 'schedule' is defined by google as "a plan for carrying out a process or procedure, giving lists of intended events and times." I would like to see the document(s) with lists of intended events and times if such a document exists.	20-Apr-22	Granted
AIE-6-1-2022	04-Mar-22	Other	1) All correspondence between the OPW (and those acting in its behalf) and the owners (and those acting on their behalf) of the Northpoint Business Park Cork in relation to the Blackpool Flood Relief/Drainage Scheme. From the date of receipt of Submission 5 (5-01-2016 attached) to date.  2) The proposed road plan for the entrance to the Northpoint Business Park to facilitate the Blackpool FRS.	29-Mar-22	Part Granted
AIE-7-1-2022	21-Mar-22	Other	This request relates to the OPW site at Emo Court, Co. Laois.  I request any assessments or reports regarding the water levels at Emo Court lake, or surveys of the watercourse that have been commissioned	28-Mar-22	Refused

AIE-8-1-2022	28-Mar-22	Other	<p>I wish to request the following information and supporting documentation in relation to the Lower Lee Flood Relief Scheme pursuant to Environmental Information Directive and Regulations (AIE)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How many 'surface water pumping stations' are proposed?</li> <li>2. Will any other type of pumping station be built?</li> <li>3. What are the horizontal and vertical dimensions of the proposed pumping stations?</li> <li>4. What is the lowest elevation (Malin Head datum) at the base of the proposed pumping stations?</li> <li>5. Will sheet piling be used during the construction of the pumping stations?</li> <li>6. Which software package is being used used to model the ground and groundwater conditions?</li> <li>7. Will any further pumping test wells be constructed prior to construction?</li> </ol>	27-Mar-22	Part Granted
AIE-9-1-2022	11-Apr-22	Journalist	<p>I would like to submit request to the OPW under the Access to Information on the Environment regulations (as amended). My request relates to the management of the Barnakyle stream, which feeds into the Mague River near to Raheen in Limerick.</p> <p>I seek:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All records related to complaints about the handing and clearing of the stream and sediment.</li> <li>• All correspondence with other State agencies, including the IDA, Limerick City and County Council, the EPA and the NPWS in relation to potential pollution of the water and, as a consequence, the sediment, due to outflows from the Loughmore Canal.</li> <li>• The results of any testing carried out on water or sediment quality in the Barnakyle stream.</li> </ul> <p>This can be refined to any documents after January 1, 2019.</p> <p>I seek all material in electronic from. If it assists the decision maker I am happy to discuss a revised wording to avoid potentially unnecessary searching.</p>	09-Jun-22	Granted
AIE-10-1-2022	03-May-22	Other	<p>I would like to request the following under AIE regulations please:</p> <p>Documents (invoices/receipts) indicating total expenditure on the treatment of Japanese Knotweed for the Blackpool Flood Relief Scheme from 2015 to date.</p> <p>I would like to receive the documents in digital format please.</p>	30-May-22	Part Granted
AIE-11-1-2022	04-May-22	Other	<p>I would like to request the following document under AIE regulations please:</p> <p>River Bride (Blackpool) Certified Drainage Scheme Exhibition Report.</p> <p>The requested report is referenced in a letter from Liam Basquille (OPW) to Brian O'Malley (DPER) dated 2nd August 2018. The letter reference is C86/3/18/16.</p> <p>I have attached a screen grab excerpt of the letter with the requested report highlighted.</p>	01-Jun-22	Granted
AIE-12-1-2022	10-Jun-22	Journalist	NA	NA	Outside FOI
AIE-13-1-2022	26-Sep-22	Journalist	<p>Under the AIE Regulations, I am seeking the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- a record/database/spreadsheet of all incidences of damage or vandalism to sites under the control of the National Monuments Service for the period 1 August 2021 to date. This database if possible to include the incident date, location, and a brief description of what happened.</li> </ul> <p>I would prefer to receive this information electronically, ideally in its original electronic format.</p>	25-Oct-22	Granted

AIE-14-1-2022	06-Jul-22	Other	<p>Lough Funshinagh in County Roscommon is a Special Area of Conservation (SAC) (Site Code – 000611) under the EU Habitats Directive.</p> <p>I request all correspondence, including internal memoranda and written communications generated by, or received by the Minister of State at the Office of Public Works (OPW) Patrick O' Donovan TD, and his office concerning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The designation/status of Lough Funshinagh as a Special Area of Conservation (SAC).</li> <li>• In the period from 1 May 2022 to the date of this request.</li> </ul>	02-Sep-22	Part Granted
AIE-15-1-2022	06-Jul-22	Other	<p>Lough Funshinagh in County Roscommon is a Special Area of Conservation (SAC) (Site Code – 000611) under the EU Habitats Directive.</p> <p>I request all correspondence, including internal memoranda and written communications generated by, or received by the Office of Public Works (OPW) (excluding the Minister of State at the Office of Public Works (OPW) Patrick O' Donovan TD, and his office) concerning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The designation/status of Lough Funshinagh as a Special Area of Conservation (SAC).</li> <li>• In the period from 1 May 2022 to the date of this request.</li> </ul>	05-Sep-22	Part Granted
AIE-16-1-2022	18-Jul-22	Other	<p>I am requesting a copy of responses to the OPW's recent online survey for the Phoenix Park Parking Strategy.</p> <p>My preference is to receive these records in electronic format, and in their original format where possible.</p>	22-Aug-22	Refused
AIE-17-1-2022	02-Aug-22	Journalist	<p>Under the AIE Regulations, I am seeking the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- copies of any inspection reports or condition reports associated with the Skellig Islands. This request to cover the period 1 June 2022 to date of receipt of the request.</li> </ul> <p>I would prefer to receive this information electronically, ideally in its original electronic format.</p>	27-Aug-22	Part-Granted
AIE-18-1-2022	24-Aug-22	Other	<p>The Office of Public Works (OPW) are proposing to undertake works to repair 'fisheries enhancement structures' on the river Boyne at Trim in County Meath. See link to details here gov.ie - River Boyne Enhancement Works (<a href="http://www.gov.ie">www.gov.ie</a>)</p> <p>The statement from the OPW states that the existing fisheries enhancement structures were installed in 2012 in conjunction with IFI.</p> <p>I wish to request the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All correspondence between IFI and the OPW in relation to the construction of the fisheries enhancement structures for the period 1 January 2012 to 31 December 2012;</li> <li>• All correspondence between IFI and the OPW in relation to the proposed improvements to the fisheries enhancement structures in the period of 1 January 2022 to the date of this request.</li> <li>• All correspondence between Trim Canoe Club and the OPW in relation to the proposed improvements to the fisheries enhancement structures in the period of 1 January 2022 to the date of this request;</li> <li>• All correspondence between Boyne Valley Activities and the OPW in relation to the proposed improvements to the fisheries enhancement structures in the period of 1 January 2022 to the date of this request.</li> </ul>	23-Aug-22	Part-Granted

AIE-19-1-2022	29-Aug-22	Journalist	Under the AIE Regulations, I am seeking the following: - copies of all inspection reports carried out with regard to pests at Áras an Uachtaráin and Farmleigh House over the past twelve months. - a record of how much has been spent on pest control services at each of the above OPW properties over the past twelve months. I would prefer to receive this information electronically, ideally in its original electronic format.	16-Nov-22	Part-Granted
AIE-20-1-2022	12-Sep-22	Journalist	I wish to request a document handed to representatives of Arup and JBA consulting during a meeting with the Blackpool Flood Committee in October 2013. The document provided a detailed history of flooding in Blackpool from 1974 to 2002. The report was authored by Aidan O'Shea (believed to be a former local business owner) in 2006.  I would like to receive the document in digital format please.	20-Sep-22	Refused
AIE-21-1-2022	14-Oct-22	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
AIE-22-1-2022	21-Oct-22	Other	I would like to request the following records under AIE regulations please:  The entire email chain relating to the attached record - Rec15_20140724_Fwd Preferred Blackpool Solution_Extract.png	11-Nov-22	Granted
AIE-23-1-2022	03-Nov-22	Other	I would like to request the following records under AIE regulations please:  I would like to request the following information under AIE regulations please:  1. Copies of the further information forwarded by the Office of Public Works to the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform in relation to the River Bride Drainage Scheme also known as the Blackpool Flood Relief Scheme. The further information is referenced by Minister Patrick O'Donovan in an exchange with Colm Burke TD on the 20th of October 2022. Please see attached screengrab for details.  I would like to to receive the documents in digital format please.	02-Dec-22	Granted
AIE-24-1-2022	26-Oct-22	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
AIE-25-1-2022	14-Nov-22	Journalist	I would like to request the following records under AIE regulations please:  1. Minutes from the discussion/meeting referred to in the attached email. (underlined in red by myself)  2. Any other records related to this discussion including emails, texts or phone call transcripts. I would like to receive the documents in digital format please.	12-Dec-22	Granted

AIE-26-1-2022	16-Nov-22	Other	<p>I would like to request the following records under AIE regulations please:</p> <p>Copies of all emerging options comment sheets and submissions from the Public Information Day for the Lower Lee (Cork City) Flood Relief Scheme (including Blackpool and Ballyvolane) held in Cork City Hall Civic Offices foyer on Tuesday 29th July 2014. I am requesting records related to Blackpool and Ballyvolane only.</p> <p>I request that names not be redacted. I have no issue with contact details or addresses being redacted.</p> <p>I would like the records sent to me in digital format please.</p>	15-Dec-22	Granted
AIE-27-1-2022	07/12/2022	Other	<p>I would like to request the following records under AIE regulations please:</p> <p>1. Minutes from the meeting between OPW and IFI in ARUP's offices, Oliver Plunkett Street, Cork on Wednesday 27 January 2016. (see email attached)</p> <p>2. Any other records related to this meeting including emails, texts or phone call transcripts.</p> <p>I would like to receive the documents in digital format please.</p>	05-Jan-23	Part-Granted
AIE-28-1-2022	12/12/2022	Other	<p>I wish to make an AIE request as follows:</p> <p>Please indicate all projects or schemes where the OPW are proposing or considering works for the purposes of fisheries enhancement or recreational facilities.</p> <p>On 21 December you confirmed the following: My request relates to proposed works in or near waterways only</p>	10-Feb-23	Granted