

## Freedom of Information Requests for Non-Personal Information Completed in May 2023

Our Ref	Date Rec'd	Requester Type	Request Details	Decision Made
23/061	07/03/2023	Client	<p>Copy of the application for recognition of the Irish Aberdeen Angus Association (IAAA) Breeding Programme made to the Minister's Department of Agriculture Food and the Marine under Article 8 REGULATION (EU) 2016/1012 Approval of breeding programmes carried out by breed societies and breeding operations with the dates of the submission and the dates of the Minister's Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine approval. This includes the pre-Brexit post-Brexit transition plan and protocols between the Aberdeen-Angus Cattle Society (SC000926) - Breeding Programme and the Irish Aberdeen Association (IAAA) - Breeding Programme declared to the Minister's Department of Agriculture Food and the Marine and approved by the Minister's Department of Agriculture Food and the Marine.</p> <p>2- Copy of the submissions made regarding Changes to an approved breeding programme Article 9 of REGULATION (EU) 2016/1012 to the approved breeding programme with the dates of the submissions received by the Minister's Department of Agriculture Food and the Marine and the dates of the approval made by the Minister's Department of Agriculture Food and the Marine.</p> <p>3- Copies of the CONTROL REPORT(s) under Articles 45 of REGULATION (EU) 2016/1012 as defined under Article 44 Transparency of official controls: "The competent authority shall perform official controls with a high level of transparency and shall make relevant information concerning the organisation and the performance of official controls publicly available.</p>	Part Grant
23/082	23/03/2023	Others	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any and all records and correspondence created between November 20th 2022 and today's date in relation to dangerous dogs.</li> <li>This should include, but not be limited to, records and correspondence relating to the establishment of a working group considering legislative and enforcement issues in relation to dangerous dogs.</li> <li>This should also include, but not be limited to, records and correspondence relating (i) details of the working group's membership (ii) its terms of reference (iii) its reporting timelines.</li> </ul>	Part Grant

<b>23/083</b>	27/03/2023	Others	<p>I request the following records (please complete Appendix A, if appropriate):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All Forest Service records regarding Ecoplan Forestry application NWS1109.</li> <li>• All Forest Service records regarding Ecoplan Forestry application NWS1149.</li> <li>• All Forest Service records regarding Ecoplan Forestry application TFL00257718.</li> <li>• All Forest Service records regarding Ecoplan Forestry application CN81642.</li> <li>• All Forest Service records regarding Ecoplan Forestry application CN65844.</li> <li>• All Forest Service records regarding Ecoplan Forestry application TFL00459420.</li> <li>• All Forest Service records regarding Ecoplan Forestry application TFL00427819.</li> <li>• Details of Forest Service Inspection policy – rate of inspections, approach and reporting system, how selection is made (i.e., risk vs random, risk analysis).</li> <li>• Details of Forest Service referral policy.</li> <li>• Details of Forest Service administration/referral policy regarding Native Woodland Conservation applications.</li> <li>• Details of Forest Service complaints procedures.</li> </ul>	Part Grant
<b>23/096</b>	03/04/2023	Others	<p>All communications from 1st January 2023 to the present date, between the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine, his advisors, the Chief Veterinary Officer, all other members of the Minister's Office, his Department officials, and the Veterinary Council of Ireland, in relation to the following: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the prescribing and supply of all veterinary medicines in Ireland, including antimicrobial and antiparasitic veterinary medicines;</li> <li>• the VCI Code of Professional Conduct for Veterinary Practitioners and Guidance Notes relating to the prescribing of antimicrobial and antiparasitic veterinary medicines;</li> <li>• the VCI's rules and regulations regarding Certificates of Suitability (COS) under the Premises Accreditation Scheme;</li> <li>• the VCI's Code of Professional Conduct regarding animals under veterinary care and Client-Patient-Practice-Relationships (CPPR); and</li> <li>• the VCI's rules and regulations regarding the requirement to provide 24/7 emergency cover.</li> </ul> <p>As per Section 10 of the FOI Act, and as a Registered Veterinary Practitioner, I have been / will be affected by the decisions and actions of the Veterinary Council of Ireland, particularly in relation to proposed changes to the Code of Professional Conduct for Veterinary Practitioners announced by the Minister for Agriculture on 29th March 2023, and as the owner and Certificate of Suitability (COS) holder for a Registered Veterinary Practice, I have a material interest in the consequences of the decisions and actions taken by the Veterinary Council of Ireland.</p>	Part Grant

<b>23/106</b>	11/04/2023	Client	<p>1. All DAFM records regarding application TFL00720921</p> <p>2. All DAFM records regarding application NWS1202</p> <p>3. All DAFM records regarding CN89444</p> <p>4. All DAFM records regarding CN89416</p> <p>5. All DAFM records regarding WIS CN68485, from 15/02/19.</p> <p>6. All DAFM records regarding WIS CN60678, from 15/02/19.</p> <p>7. All DAFM records regarding WIS CN74443, from 01/01/19, including Payments Section.</p> <p>8. All DAFM records regarding thinning application TFL00163518 which took 36 months to be approved,</p> <p>9. And All DAFM records regarding the adjoining Coillte clearfell application LS09-FL0072, which took 3 months to be approved.</p> <p>10. All DAFM records regarding Parliamentary Question Number(s): 639 Question Reference(s): 44548/22</p>	Part Grant
<b>23/108</b>	11/04/2023	Journalist	<p>All travel and accommodation costs associated with St Patrick's Day foreign engagements this year, 2023, for senior/junior ministers in the Department of Agriculture.</p> <p>To include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• costs for both senior and junior ministers in the Department.</li> <li>• costs for their advisors &amp; staff.</li> <li>• details and cost of any gift given by same senior/junior ministers during their trips.</li> <li>• details of any gifts received by same senior/junior ministers during their trips.</li> </ul>	Part Grant
<b>23/109</b>	17/04/2023	Others	<p>I wish to make application for the following documents/correspondence between the Irish Red Grouse Conservation Trust and the DAFM From January 2020 – March 2023 and in particular I wish to apply for full copies of any and all applications made by or on behalf of the Irish Red Grouse Association Conservation Trust for DAFM ex gratia Animal Welfare Grants for the years 2020, 2021 &amp; 2022. I would also like copies of each of the inspection reports carried out prior to the granting of these monies.</p>	Refused
<b>23/110</b>	17/04/2023	Business/Interest Group	<p>Would it be possible to get a copy of the health certs and journey logs in relation to the below exports of cattle outside the EU – they may have gone overland or via a port in another member state.</p> <p>Country Week EndingTotal</p> <p>Turkey 09-Oct 100</p> <p>Lebanon 16-Oct 190</p> <p>Libya 22-Jan 130</p> <p>Tunisia 05-Feb 59</p>	Part Grant

<b>23/111</b>	17/04/2023	Business/Interest Group	<p>Would it be possible to get a copy of the cleansing and disinfection reports for the below shipments:</p> <p>VesselPort Departure Date Destination Arrival Date  Finola M Greenore 23/03/2022 Jordan 08/04/2022  Finola M Waterford 04/05/2022 Jordan 18/05/2022  Finola M Greenore 23/08/2022 Egypt 04/09/2022  Finola M Greenore 01/10/2022 Egypt 14/10/2022  Sarah M Foynes 03/12/2022 Turkey 17/12/2022  Ganado Express Greenore 24/12/2022 Turkey 03/01/2023  Finola M Foynes 25/01/2023 Turkey 11/02/2023</p>	Part Grant
<b>23/112</b>	18/04/2023	Journalist	Any communications between Department of Agriculture officials and the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission (CCPC) in relation to its investigation into the acquisition by Dawn Meats of Kildare Chilling.	Refused
<b>23/114</b>	18/04/2023	Journalist	Any communications between Department of Agriculture Ministers and Staff and Department of Environment, Climate and Communications Ministers or Staff in relation to the review the industrial emissions directive.	Part Grant
<b>23/115</b>	18/04/2023	Others	<p>1) Copies of all receipts for hotel accommodation, flights, Transports costs eg Trains, Buses etc, Food costs regarding Minister McConalogue visit to New Zealand for St Patricks Day Events 2023</p> <p>2) The bills that have yet to be paid for this trip as of end of business on 17 April 2023. Please provide a brief description as why the bill has yet to be paid eg DFA have yet to invoice the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine to recoup their costs regarding hotel accommodation of this trip etc</p> <p>3) Copies of all receipts for hotel accommodation, flights, Transport costs, food costs relating to any staff member of DAFA that accompanied the Minister for this trip</p>	Part Grant

23/117	19/04/2023	Business/Interest Group	<p>The journey Log day commenced Tuesday 21st March 2023.Loading and Depart time from first loading on journey to Rosslare Port.including journey on Stena Horizon Ferry, then lairage and finally destination of the livestock on the trucks</p> <p>With regard to the livestock Trucks listed below can you please provide me with the following documents Re Journey Logs and Health Certs</p> <p>1. First LOADING TIME At farm/collection depot in Ireland and INSPECTION report in Ireland and at Rosslare Port.</p> <p>2. JOURNEY LOG</p> <p>For each truck as below the Journey Log- both one submitted prior to journey taking place and the ACTUAL Journey Log which is submitted AFTER the Journey has taken place.</p> <p>And on to destination farm including any other lairage/feed /rest stops on route TO FINAL DESTINATION/ farm/ or further shipment</p> <p>3. Evidence of how long the cattle/calves were unloaded for rested and fed before being re loaded at Lairages on route . Also information on any other Lairage Stops en route to final destination and in what Country.</p> <p>4. I want details of any notices served or warnings or recommendations issued by Dept of Agriculture or by any regulatory authority in Ireland or on mainland Europe.</p> <p>5. How many calves/cattle/were loaded on each truck.</p> <p>How many live healthy cattle /calves were unloaded at destination from each respective livestock truck.</p>	Part Grant
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23/123	24/04/2023	Journalist	<p>According to the Department of Agriculture Appropriation Account for 2021, the Department complied with the EU competitive process guidelines with the exception of 64 contracts totalling €3,787,740 (ex. VAT).</p> <p>Under the FOI Act 2014, I am seeking the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A copy of the ten contracts with a value of €711,749 which were previously awarded but exceeded the relevant thresholds for that competitive process.</li> <li>• A copy of the three contracts with a value of €454,945 which arose due to transitional delays in migrating to new service providers.</li> <li>• A copy of the fifteen contracts with a value of €117,149 which were for small non-competitive procurements, and which were not included in a previously approved compliant non-competitive process.</li> <li>• A copy of the thirty-one contracts with a value of €2,304,961 which arose due to delays in undertaking a competitive process, due to the highly technical nature of the items involved.</li> <li>• A copy of the contract with a value of €35,823 which arose where numerous small purchases when aggregated breached the procurement threshold.</li> <li>• A copy of the four contracts with a value of €163,113 which arose where approval was not sought prior to urgent non-competitive procurement of replacement veterinary services.</li> </ul>	Part Grant
23/124	24/04/2023	Journalist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All communications between the Department of Agriculture and Bord Bia on the topic of "calf slaughter" between 01 January 2022 and 24 April 2023.</li> <li>• All communications between the Department of Agriculture and Bord Bia on the topic of a new ban on calf slaughter as part of the Bord Bia Sustainable Dairy Assurance Scheme (SDAS) between 01 January 2022 and 24 April 2023.</li> </ul>	Refused
23/125	24/04/2023	Journalist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All communications between the Department of Agriculture and Teagasc on the topic of "nitrates banding" between 01 January 2022 and 24 April 2023.</li> </ul>	Part Grant
23/131	02/05/2023	Journalist	<p>copies of any records held referring or relating to comments made by Minister McConalogue that male candidates would not be considered for certain state boards.</p> <p>- copies of any records held referring or relating to any policy or policy change around exclusion of male candidates from consideration for certain state boards.</p>	Refused

<b>23/133</b>	04/05/2023	Others	In relation to all meat plants and animal food processing/manufacturing plants within the Republic of Ireland you might let us know from the dates the 15 <sup>th</sup> of January 2010 up to the present date whether any of these plants or factories were served with a Closure Notice on the grounds of any containments found on the premises or any materials stored thereon. We do not want the names and addresses of the plants just the number and the number of such notices served. Also in relation to the same let us have the number of plants served with closure notice on the sole grounds of they having problems in failing to maintain proper or acceptable standards of Traceability Records as found by your Department.	Refused
<b>23/134</b>	04/05/2023	Others	Can I initially get the number of applicants to the scheme and the number who did not complete or partially completed the scheme as per the requirements.	Grant
<b>23/155</b>	22/05/2023	Journalist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A copy of the results and data from the equine census 2021 and the equine census 2022.</li> <li>• A copy of any presentation or report arising from the results of either census.</li> </ul>	Grant