

## AIE Requests - Q4 2023

AIE Req No	Date Received	Requester	Subject	Decision Date	Decision
AIE-18-1-2023	31-Oct-23	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.	28-Nov-23	Part-Granted
AIE-19-1-2023	25-Oct-23	Other	I wish to make a request – under the Access to Information on the Environment Regulations - for copies of the following to cover the period 1 October 2023-present: • Minutes of any meetings of the Flood Policy Coordination Group • Any reports, briefings, papers or presentations prepared for, and/or presented at, any Coordination Group meetings • Any reports, briefings, papers or presentations prepared in relation to the flooding caused by Storm Babet *In all the above, please exclude all correspondence in relation to the setting up or organising of physical or virtual meetings.	24-Nov-23	Refused
AIE-20-1-2023	27-Nov-23	Other	I request the following Environmental Information  1. Correspondence and communications and any other information exchanged between the OPW and Kildare County Council regarding the potential purchase and/or use of the Castletown Lands as referred to above. Scope of request 1st January 2020 to date of request. 2. Information, including minutes of meetings, memos, emails, correspondence, notes etc. in relation to the commitment by Kildare County Council to provide funds of €1,000,000 to support OPW purchase of lands at Castletown, Celbridge. Scope of request 1st January 2020 to date of request. 3. A copy of “Official File No. 247/1/6; Box 358/14” and a copy of “Historical Valuer files” referred to at Section 1.7 of the OPW Property Advisor Services Brokerage Advice regarding the Castletown Lands dated 6 March 2020. See section 1.7 extract attached. 4. Replies and any further correspondence between Kildare County Council and the OPW in relation to (i) email from Samir Eldin to Alan Dunney on 14 September 2023 and (ii) from Maurice Buckley to Sonya Kavanagh on 11 September, copies attached. 5. Correspondence, communications, emails, minutes of meetings and information exchanged at meetings between the OPW and the National Transport Authority regarding Castletown and the Castletown Lands and/or a park and ride facility on the Castletown Lands. Scope of request 1st January 2020 to date of request.	25-Jan-24	Part-Granted
AIE-21-1-2023	05-Dec-23	Other	I request the following records under AIE regulations please:  All records related to the cleaning/removal/inspection of debris in the section of the Kiln/Bride/Glen river culvert adjacent to the Heineken premises on the Blackpool Bypass in October 2020 (photos attached). To include:  All photographs and video Contract details Volume of material removed Disposal details Communications related to the work Any resulting reports compiled	14-Dec-23	Refused

AIE-22-1-2023	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Outside of AIE
AIE-23-1-2023	19-Dec-23	Other	<p>Article 9a</p> <p>Member States shall ensure that the competent authority or authorities perform the duties arising from this Directive in an objective manner and do not find themselves in a situation giving rise to a conflict of interest.</p> <p>Where the competent authority is also the developer, Member States shall at least implement, within their organisation of administrative competences, an appropriate separation between conflicting functions when performing the duties arising from this Directive.</p> <p>There is a general principle under EU law where a similar provision is implicit in relation to screening for appropriate assessment</p> <p>It is my understanding that on occasion the OPW is both competent authority and developer for certain projects within the scope of the EIA Directive and/or which are screened for AA since it makes the EIA and AA screening decisions.</p> <p>Please therefore provide a copy of the documented procedure through which your organisation implements the requirement for appropriate separation between conflicting functions in this regard.</p> <p>If the procedure is not documented please explain how your organisation has implemented Article 9a for sub-threshold projects and how it ensures there is no conflict of interest in AA Screening decisions.</p>	28-Feb-23	Granted