Department of Climate, Energy and the Environment				
2025 Q1, Q2, Q3 & Q4 FOI Disclosure Log of non-personal Freedom of Information Requests				
FOI No.	**Requester**	**Date and Details of Request Received**	**Decision**	**Date Released**
FOI-0273-2025	Business / Interest Group	29 December 2025 Scope of Records dated from January 1, 2022, to May 1st 2025: All correspondence, minutes of meetings, briefing notes, internal memoranda, and communication records (including emails, WhatsApp messages, and text messages) exchanged between the Department (including the Minister, the Minister of State with responsibility for planning, Dept, special advisers, and officials at Principal Officer grade or above) and the following external entities: • Bord na Móna (including Bord na Móna Powergen Ltd) • Wind Energy Ireland (WEI) This request is specifically limited to records relating to: • The drafting, amendment, or discussion of the Planning and Development Bill 2023/2024. • Proposals regarding Judicial Review procedures, specifically: o Restrictions on "Locus Standi" or standing for Residents' Associations. o Requirements for unincorporated bodies (Section 286 of the Act). o Timelines for seeking leave for Judicial Review. o Legal costs protections or the Aarhus Convention. • Strategic Infrastructure Development (SID) designation criteria.	Part-granted	26 January 2026

FOI-0272-2025	Member of the Public	05 January 2026 • Briefings provided to the Minister between 01/06/2025 and 30/11/2025 in relation to Ireland's new Strategic Gas Emergency Reserve (SGER) / the Floating Storage and Regasification Unit (FSRU). • Briefings provided to the Minister between 01/06/2025 and 30/11/2025 on the cost of the unit. • Documents produced between 01/06/2025 and 30/11/2025 in relation to the cost-benefit analysis undertaken as part of the decision to pursue the unit. • Minutes of meetings held between 01/06/2025 and 30/11/2025 between the Department and Gas Networks Ireland in which the cost and frequency of use of the strategic gas emergency reserve unit were discussed.	Part-granted	03 February 2026
FOI-0271-2025	Journalist	22 December 2025 Copies of any anonymous letters received concerning the conduct of any workers/employees of Inland Fisheries Ireland sent to departmental officials and/or to Denis Maher and/or Philip Nugent. Time period: 1 January 2022-30 June 2022; Any correspondence [including attachments] between departmental officials [including but not limited to Denis Maher or Philip Nugent] and IFI senior management or IFI board members concerning the anonymous letters and/or any [proposed] follow-up action concerning the details in the letters. Time period: 1 January 2022-30 July 2022; Any briefings or correspondence [including attachments] between departmental officials [including but not limited to Denis Maher or Philip Nugent] and either the Secretary General or Minister of State or Minister concerning the anonymous letters and/or any [proposed] follow-up action concerning the details in the letters. Time period: 1 January 2022-30 July 2022;	Part-granted	22 January 2026

		A copy of any correspondence between IFI senior officials or the IFI board and departmental officials concerning the findings of the ACRUX report …….. Time period: 1 May 2022-31 December 2022;		
FOI-0270-2025	Journalist	19 December 2025 1. Copy of correspondence between the Minister for the Environment and the chairman of Inland Fisheries Ireland since 01 June 2025 in relation to governance issues at the agency, protected disclosures and the proposal for an external review of the organisation as set out in the Programme for Government	Part-granted	13 January 2026
FOI-0269-2025	Journalist	15 December 2025 A copy of any records held referring or relating to the lobbying activity described in the following entry on the Lobbying Register: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/125324/sslf-progress-ireland	Transferred	23 December 2025
FOI-0268-2025	Journalist	15 December 2025 I request the following records from the period 1 Sept 2025-present concerning the following lobbying returns: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/132399/south-dublin-routing-4-no-2-limited	Part-granted	20 January 2026
FOI-267-2025	Member of the Public	15 December 2025 With regard to the Renewable Electricity Support Scheme RESS 1: 2020 and the associated Terms and Conditions Appendix 2 Milestones (attached for your reference) Can you please provide an update on the status of each milestone for each successful applicant.	Part-granted	08 January 2026

FOI-0266-2025	Journalist	03 December 2025 1. Any correspondence since January 1st 2025 between the Minister or Department of Climate, Energy and the Environment (at PO level or above) and the Taoiseach or his Department (at PO level or above) on proposals to curtail Judicial Review actions against housing and infrastructure projects and proposals to cap High Court legal fees in Aarhus Convention cases; and any associated reports. 2. Any correspondence since January 1st 2025 between the Minister or Department of Climate, Energy and the Environment (at PO level or above) and the Minister or Department of Public Expenditure (at PO level or above) on proposals to curtail Judicial Review actions against housing and infrastructure projects and proposals to cap High Court legal fees in Aarhus Convention cases; and any associated reports.	Granted	23 December 2025
FOI-0265-2025	Journalist	02 December 2025 I am seeking copies of the following esubmissions and ancillary documents relating to: - Electricity Security of Supply Update - Information note on the Strategic Gas Emergency Reserve - ESB Consent Request – ESB Statutory Borrowing Limit - Letter from Minister O'Brien to the Taoiseach re the Scale of Fees for environmental Judicial Reviews - Letter to Chairs of ESBN and EirGrid on Urban Supply of Electricity - Amendment to An Post Articles of Association - Interim Report of National Energy Affordability Taskforce I wish for my request to cover the period from 1/1/2025 - 1/12/2025.	(a) Granted (b) Part-Granted (c) Part-granted (d) Granted (e)Part-Granted (f) Part-Granted (g) Granted	(a) 18 December 2025 (b) 31 December 2025 (c) 24 December 2025 (d) 23 December 2025

				(e) 31 December 2025 (f) 23 January 2026 (g) 22 December 2025
FOI-0264-2025	Oireachtas/Public Representative	01 December 2025 I would like to request records associated with the September 26 meeting with energy suppliers. I would also like all correspondence with suppliers from the minister's office over the last 6 months.	Part-granted	02 January 2025
FOI-0263-2025	Journalist	01 December 2025 I am seeking a list of esubmissions submitted to the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications through the e-submissions channel. I wish for my request to cover the period from 01-11-2025 - 30-11-2025.	Granted	28 December 2025
FOI-0262-2025	Member of the Public	26 November 2025 All information and correspondence relating to the November 2023 request to increase EirGrid defined Benefit Pensions.	Part-granted	12 December 2025

		I request all internal correspondence and also all external correspondence with any other body or organisation e.g.EirGrid, NewERA, Department of Finance.		
FOI-0261-2025	Journalist	25 November 2025 I am seeking the release of records relating to the Landfill Remediation Joint Steering Group from 2023 to date. Please provide quarterly agendas, minutes and copies of any reports mentioned in such meetings or presented at the meetings.	Part-granted	24 December 2025
FOI-0260-2025	Member of the Public	25 November 2025 • Briefings provided to the Minister in relation to Budget 2026. • Briefings provided to the Minister in relation to the effect of withdrawing energy credits in Budget 2026 including any analysis of it's impact on the rate of energy poverty / energy bill arrears.		
FOI-0259-2025	Journalist	24 November 2025 1. Any reports or notes to the Minister from the Department (at PO level or above) on electricity security of supply issues and any associated risks to the completion or housing, foreign direct investment or data-centre projects. 2. Any correspondence since January 1st, 2025, between the Minister or his Department (at PO level or above) and the chairman, board or chief executive of ESB on: electricity security of supply issues; electricity connections for new housing, foreign direct investment or data-centre projects; and the provision of Government funding for investment in ESB Networks infrastructure. Minutes of any meetings between them on the same topics, and any associated reports or notes.	Part-granted	22 December 2025

		3. Any correspondence since January 1st, 2025, between the Minister or his Department (at PO level or above) and the chairman, board or chief executive of EirGrid on: electricity security of supply issues; electricity connections for new housing, foreign direct investment or data-centre projects; and the provision of Government funding for investment in EirGrid or ESB Networks infrastructure. Minutes of any meetings between them on the same topics, and any associated reports or notes. 4. Any correspondence since January 1st, 2025, between the Minister or his Department (at PO level or above) and the chairman, board or chief executive of IDA Ireland on: electricity security of supply issues; electricity connections for new housing, foreign direct investment or data-centre projects; and the provision of Government funding for investment in EirGrid or ESB Networks infrastructure. Minutes of any meetings between them on the same topics, and any associated reports or notes. This request excludes correspondence to arrange the timing, date and location of any meetings.		
FOI-0257-2025	Member of the Public	24 November 2025 Regarding all types of Social Housing rents uncollected by all Local Authorities for years 2022, 2023 and 2024, Supply total amounts per each Local Authority.	Transferred	25 November 2025
FOI-0256-2025	Journalist	21 November 2025 Will the department release to me the completed report of Phase 2 of the Land Use Review.	Refused	18 December 2025

FOI-0255-2025	Journalist	20 November 2025 Any briefing notes or reports concerning energy/electricity/utility costs received by minister Darragh O'Brien from 01/05/2025 to date.	Part-granted	16 December 2025
FOI-0254-2025	Journalist	20 November 2025 Minutes of meetings of the management board of the Department, during 2025, to date	Part-granted	18 December 2025
FOI-0253-2025	Member of the Public	19 November 2025 Copy of all (ARCs) Granted by the Minister or by his Department or any other relevant authority that can do so with the Minister's approval relating to the SPA 004087 on Lough Foyle since it was first Designated in 2011 to the present date . Also Copy of all Derogation Licences under the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations granted by The Minister or his Department or any other relevant authority that can do so under the Minister approval from its first Designation till the present date.	Withdrawn	28 November 2025
FOI-0252-2025	Member of the Public	13 November 2025 Can you supply information on the Monitoring Reports, provided to the Minister under the above Lease. <u>Section 15.1</u> (1) Seabed Foundation Level. Initial 6 monthly reports for first two years and annual reports thereafter, as required by the lease.	Transferred	27 November 2025

		(2) Scour Reports for the foundations of each turbine – 6 monthly for the first two years and annually thereafter. (3) Information on the bird life monitoring on a quarterly basis since inception of the lease. (6) Monitoring of BENTHIC Communities on or adjacent to the turbine foundations, what reports are available for first five years of operation? <u>Section 15.2</u> Has the monitoring referred to in Clause 15.1 caused any concern to the Minister and has the Minister required any additional monitoring? <u>Section 15.3</u> (2) Has the Lessee complied with the requirement to furnish annual audited accounts?		
FOI-0251-2025	Journalist	11 November 2025 All records held by the Department relating to gifts, hospitality, travel expenses, subsidised events, or externally-funded trips received by: -Ministers and Ministers of State assigned to this Department, -Members of the Minister's private office, and -Senior civil servants (Principal Officer level and above), for the period from 1 January 2024 to Date. This request should include, but not be limited to: -Records or registers of gifts or hospitality offered or received, including invitations to events, receptions, entertainment, or meals; -Records relating to travel or trips (domestic or international) where costs were paid in full or in part by external organisations, including semi-state bodies, lobby groups, private sector entities, or foreign governments;	Refused	09 December 2025

		-Details of payment or reimbursement, including who paid, the purpose of the event/travel, total cost, and whether departmental approval was granted; -Any conflict-of-interest declarations or assessments made in connection with such gifts, trips, or events; -Any correspondence or memos between the Department and the Standards in Public Office Commission (SIPO) regarding such matters; and -Any records indicating whether the above gifts, hospitality, or trips were formally declared to the Department, SIPO, or any other relevant oversight body.		
FOI-0250-2025	Journalist	10 November 2025 1) Copies of minutes from Minister Darragh O'Brien's meeting with Re-turn CEO Ciaran Foley on May 23, 2025, as well as copies of briefing notes and memos provided to the minister in advance of the meeting 2) Copies of minutes from the meeting between Minister of State Alan Dillon and Re-turn executives in March 2025 3) Copies of complaints from the public received in relation to the Re-turn scheme between May 30, 3025 and the present date 4) Copies of briefing notes, memos, and other records for ministers in the department regarding the deposit return/Re-turn scheme, including all correspondence received from Re-Turn CEO Ciaran Foley	Part-granted	03 December 2025
FOI-0249-2025	Journalist	10 November 2025	Withdrawn	20 November 2025

		a) the number of fires that occurred at waste plant facilities as a result of lithium-ion batteries over the last 12 months, dating October 2024- October 2025 b) the number of fires that occurred at waste plant facilities as a result of lithium-ion batteries in each month this year		
FOI-0248-2025	Member of the Public	07 November 2025 1. any documentation regarding the disposal of material to the Murphy's Rock site including the source, potential materials, toxins and volume dumped 2. any documentation concerning the treatment of this material during removal and disposal, for example grinding or sorting but not limited to this 3. Any documentation concerning testing or inspections carried out on this dump site - including bore testing, water table testing, river water testing, ecological testing but not limited to this Include ANY testing before dumping, after reporting and after mitigation steps 4. Any documentation concerning mitigation activities carried out 5. Any documentation concerning risk assessments carried out 5. Any documentation with the responsible parties concerning this dumping and subsequent corrective actions 6. Any documentation/ communication with government departments or EU concerning this illegal dumping and dump site 7. Any documentation regarding clean-up activities and decisions on same 8. Any documentation concerning monitoring of the illegal dumping site 9. On Wednesday 17th Dec 2025 Ken O'Flynn TD raised a question (158-160) asking the Minister for Climate Energy and the Environment for further information regarding dumping on this site.	Part-granted	16 December 2025

		Please provide documentation on the following: • What steps were taken to rectify the identified issues to the satisfaction of the EU • Documentation concerning steps to ensure required site remediation, risk assessment, enforcement and regularisation actions • Waste facility Permit issued on this site		
FOI-0247-2025	Journalist	06 November 2025 A copy of any correspondence/letters/emails, sent and received, between the Minister and any European commissioner, between 10th July and 6th November 2025.	(a) Part-Granted (b) Granted (c) Part-Granted	(a) 28 November 2025 (b) 27 November 2025 (c) 04 December 2025
FOI-0246-2025	Oireachtas/Public Representative	04 November 2025 Details of all spending on external press and communications companies in each of the last five years by company and including the specific purpose/recipient of any training provided in tabular form or in such format as they exist.	Withdrawn	21 November 2025
FOI-0245-2025	Journalist	03 November 2025 I am seeking a list of esubmissions submitted to the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications through the e-submissions channel.	Granted	28 November 2025

		I wish for my request to cover the period from 01-10-2025 - 31-10-2025.		
FOI-0244-2025	Journalist	31 October 2025 I am seeking the release of records relating to meetings between Liquid Gas Ireland and officials at the Department of Climate, Energy and the Environment from May 1st to date. This should include, but is not limited to, records of any meeting minutes, meeting notes, a list of attendees, briefing material, associated reports, presentations and correspondence shared and/or referenced at the meetings. Please also provide any correspondence (emails, letters, text messages etc) between Liquid Gas Ireland representatives and officials at the Department during the same period.	Part-granted	01 December 2025
FOI-0243-2025	Journalist	30 October 2025 - copies of DCEE's internal adaptation plans or any working-documents that deal with or document challenges arising from climate change for coastal zones, flood risk areas, and heat stress or drought for the next ten years. Clarification received 05/11/2025 I'm only seeking such records where they were prepared by DCEE and are not already in the public domain. If that is plans for the department itself, sectoral adaptation plans or other working documents, I am only seeking those which are held by DCEE and are unpublished. You do not need to worry about what records other departments may hold.	Refused	05 December 2025

FOI-0242-2025	Journalist	28 October 2025 1. All minutes from meetings of the National Energy Affordability taskforce from inception to date	Withdrawn	29 October 2025
FOI-0241-2025	Journalist	28 October 2025 I am seeking copies of the following esubmissions and ancillary documents: - Submission of report on Issues Impeding Accelerated Delivery of the Onshore Electricity Infrastructure to Minister for Public Expenditure, Infrastructure, Public Service Reform and Digitalisation - Annual Report and Accounts of CRU for the year ended 31 December 2024 - Bord na Móna proposed sale of Bord na Móna Recycling Limited - Bord na Móna Annual Report and Accounts for financial year ended 26 March 2025. - Briefing note on Offshore Wind Technical Resource Assessment report - Briefing on Accelerating Renewable Electricity Taskforce for Minister O'Brien - Equity Letter EirGrid I wish for my request to cover the period from 1/5/2025 - 27/10/2025.	(a) Part-Granted (b) Part-Granted (c&d) Part-Granted (e) Part Granted (f) Granted (g) Part-Granted	(a) 21 November 2025 (b) 24 November 2025 (c&d) 16 December 2025 (e) 19 November 2025 (f) 05 November 2025 (g) 16 December 2025

FOI-0240-2025	Oireachtas/Public Representative	23 October 2025 I am seeking access to any records relating to the preparation for Budget 2026 and the level of intervention for household energy supports. This may include internal analysis, briefing notes, correspondence within the department, with other departments, and outside stakeholders. If possible, I would appreciate if the records could cover the period from 1 January 2025 to the present. I am not seeking routine administrative correspondence such as arranging meetings and the like.	Part-granted	21 November 2025
FOI-0239-2025	Journalist	22 October 2025 Any communications between the board/ceo of the Maritime Area Regulatory Authority (MARA) and Minister Darragh O'Brien between January 2025 and today.	Granted	14 November 2025
FOI-0238-2025	Journalist	21 October 2025 A copy of any correspondence (including attachments) with the chair of the board of Inland Fisheries Ireland. Period: 1 January 2025-present.	Part-granted	19 November 2025
FOI-0237-2025	Journalist	20 October 2025 • A copy of the most up-to-date tracker for the implementation of recommendations from audits; • A list of all audits carried out in the last two years to include the month and year of the audit and the overall assurance rating;	Part-granted	18 November 2025

FOI-0236-2025	Journalist	20 October 2025 Minutes of meeting(s) held between Minister O'Brien and Tom O'Brien + Bríd Horan of Nephin Energy, between the dates of 1 May, 2025 to 31 Aug, 2025. Copy of any emails/letters sent from Nephin Energy to Minister O'Brien/Dept of Environment n the same timeframe.	Part-granted	18 November 2025
FOI-0235-2025	Journalist	20 October 2025 Minutes of meeting(s) held between Minister O'Brien and Blaine Gaffney [or any other member of] MSD between the dates of 1 Sep, 2025 to 17 Oct, 2025. Copy of the letter sent from MSD to Minister O'Brien/Dept of Environment in the same timeframe.	Transferred	24 October 2025
FOI-0234-2025	Journalist	17 October 2025 I am requesting access to any records held by the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications from US-based companies, industry associations, or lobby groups concerning Coimisiún na Meán's role as Ireland's Digital Services Coordinator under the EU Digital Services Act (DSA). The records sought should cover the period 20 January 2025 to 17 October 2025. To assist with the search, this request includes correspondence from or on behalf of the following organisations or their representatives: -Meta (Facebook / Instagram) -Google / YouTube (Alphabet Inc.) -X Corp (Twitter)	Withdrawn	06 November 2025

		-TikTok (Bytedance) -Microsoft -Amazon -Apple -NetChoice -Chamber of Progress -Computer & Communications Industry Association (CCIA) -TechNet -Heritage Foundation -The Federalist Society -Media Research Center (MRC) -America First Legal -America First Policy Institute		
FOI-0233-2025	Journalist	17 October 2025 I request the following records concerning the following lobbying returns: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/129850/vermilion-exploration--production-ireland-ltd https://www.lobbying.ie/return/131965/shamrock-renewable-products-limited	Part-granted	17 November 2025

		Please include all documents provided by the lobbying party, as well as notes or minutes from any meetings and all departmental or ministerial correspondence returned to the lobbying party. Please also include internal records concerning these lobbying events including memos, speaking notes, briefings, and preparatory and follow-up internal correspondence on the matters raised at the initial meeting. Please exclude administrative emails related to setting up or organising meetings.		
FOI-0232-2025	Journalist	14 October 2025 All correspondence between The Department (principal officer grade or higher) and the following in relation to increase energy prices, dated between 01/09/25 and 14/10/25- Energia. Bord Gáis. SSE Airtricity. All correspondence between Minister Darragh O'Brien and the following in relation to increase energy prices, dated between 01/09/25 and 14/10/25- Energia. Bord Gáis. SSE Airtricity.	Part-granted	13 November 2025

FOI-0231-2025	Journalist	24 October 2025 I would like to request all documents and letters exchanged between the Department of Climate, Energy and Environment and the European Commission regarding the EU Emissions Trading System, where the Department have put forward their position regarding the cost of compliance. I would like this request to cover the period from June 30, 2024 to the present day. I would like the request to cover all the communication from the Department to the Commission and the from the Commission to the Department. I would like to ensure all letters to and from Minister Darragh O'Brien and the EU Commission regarding the EU Emissions Trading System and the cost of compliance are included in this request.	Refused	24 November 2025
FOI-0230-2025	Member of the Public	08 October 2025 • Any correspondence from the residents of Green Street in Cork City regarding rodent infestations in homes and on the streets. • Any correspondence from private landlords documenting rodent infestations in homes and on the street on Green Street in Cork City, on behalf of their tenants. • Any documentation or minutes of meetings regarding the rise of rodent infestations in Green Street and the surrounding areas. I would like this information to be provided from 2024 to 2025, electronically and in its original format.	Transferred	14 October 2025

FOI-0229-2025	Oireachtas/Public Representative	08 October 2025 My request relates to reports that data centres will be powered by offsite fossil fuel generation connected to data centres by private wires. I request access to any and all records held by your Department concerning this matter including but not limited to: 1. Correspondence, reports, briefings, or internal communications regarding the development, approval, or regulation of data centres being powered by offsite fossil fuel generation through private wire connections; 2. Any assessments, environmental impact evaluations, or policy discussions relating to the use of fossil fuel generation to supply data centres through private wires; 3. Records of engagement with private companies, energy providers, or data centre operators regarding such private wire connections, including meetings, minutes, or memos; 4. Any communications with the Commission for Regulation of Utilities (CRU), EirGrid, or local authorities about this issue. For clarity, this request covers records created from 1 January 2025 to the present.	Part-granted	04 November 2025
FOI-0228-2025	Journalist	14 October 2025 All correspondence regarding Lithium ion batteries between Mr Philip Nugent and the Irish Waste Management Association, in the last year dating October 2024- October 2025.	Part-granted	07 November 2025

FOI-0227-2025	Journalist	08 October 2025 1. Copy of comprehensive report submitted by the chair of Bord na Mona to the Minister for Climate, Energy and Environment in 2025 in accordance with paragraph 2.6 of the Code of Practice for the Governance of State Bodies in conjunction with the annual reports of the company for 2024.	Refused	07 November 2025
FOI-0226-2025	Journalist	08 October 2025 All communications from State company ESB Networks (a subsidiary of ESB) relating to the demand for electricity, likely to result from the Government's housing target of 300,000 new homes by 2030, to the minister and any department official, ranked assistant principal officer and above, dating from the appointment of the current minister, Darragh O'Brien, in January 2025.	Part-granted	06 November 2025
FOI-0225-2025	Journalist	08 October 2025 All communications from State company Eirgrid plc relating to the demand for electricity, likely to result from the Government's housing target of 300,000 new homes by 2030, to the minister and any department official, ranked assistant principal officer and above, dating from the appointment of the current minister, Darragh O'Brien, in January 2025.	Part-granted	06 November 2025
FOI-0224-2025	Member of the Public	07 October 2025 I wish to request access to any record which shows the total amount of money spent by your office / department on lights, light fittings, light shades, non-standard bulbs, or other lighting-related purchases. This request can be limited to -	Granted	10 October 2025

		1. purchases arising since 18 December, 2024 (the first sitting date of the current Dáil; 2. equipment / goods purchased for use in rooms in government departments occupied by ministers of State and members of the cabinet; and 3. equipment / goods purchased for use in rooms in the Oireachtas occupied by senators, TDs, ministers of State and members of the cabinet; It can further be limited to exclude expenditure which was genuinely routine in nature - e.g. replacement of blown bulbs, and to exclude any replacement / work which was undertaken exclusively on safety grounds. Although you are required by the FOI Act to disregard any reason for a request under the Act, it may help to know that I am hoping to identify expenditure on lights / lighting which arose following a request by any member of the Oireachtas.		
FOI-0223-2025	Member of the Public	06 October 2025 I wish to request access to any record which shows the total amount of money spent by your office / department on floor covering (carpets, carpet tiles, linoleum, wooden tiles, solid or semi-solid wood, or any other type of floor covering) in 2025.	Granted	09 October 2025
FOI-0222-2025	Oireachtas/Public Representative	06 October 2025 I would like to request records of the updates from the CRU's retail team on key market metrics (e.g. arrears, etc.). I would like to request correspondence between CRU and DCEE in relation to these updates as well as the updates themselves. I would also like to request records internal to DCEE related to the CRU metrics. This may include briefing notes, analysis, emails, and so on. I would like to limit the request in time from 1 July to present.	Part-granted	04 November 2025

FOI-0221-2025	Journalist	06 October 2025 • All departmental correspondence, both internal and external, sent between January 1, 2023, and present day (October 6, 2025) that contains both of the keywords "Xinjiang" and "solar" • All departmental correspondence, both internal and external, sent between January 1, 2023, and present day (October 6, 2025) that contains both of the keywords "Uyghur" and "solar" • All departmental correspondence, both internal and external, sent between January 1, 2023, and present day (October 6, 2025) that contains both of the keywords "Uighur" and "solar" Clarification received 07/10/2025 I am specifically interested in correspondence that contains the previously mentioned keywords for the previously mentioned dates and: • Relates to procurement for solar farms OR solar panels for state facilities • Was sent to or from the minister or ministers of state • Was sent to or from Assistant Secretary Matt Collins • Correspondence between the department and companies involved in the construction and delivery of solar projects including: o ESB o Bord na Mona o Neoen o Power Capital Renewable Energy o Voltalia o H&MV Engineering o S&G Solar Ltd o Wills Bros Group	Part-granted	05 November 2025

FOI-0220-2025	Member of the Public	06 October 2025 The total number of staff recruited at the Clerical Officer, Executive Officer and Higher Executive Officer grades for 2024 and 2025 (year to date). A breakdown of how posts were filled (i.e, if they were filled through open recruitment, internal promotion or mobility) for 2024 and 2025 YTD Confirmation as to whether the Department fulfilled it's obligations under the Civil Service Mobility Scheme to fill 1 in 2 vacancies at CO grade, 25% at EO grade, and 1 in 6 vacancies at HEO grade through Mobility in 2024. Also, confirmation is the same obligations have been reached for 2025 (YTD) or if they are projected to be reached.	Granted	28 October 2025
FOI-0219-2025	Journalist	06 October 2025 • A copy of any correspondence (including attachments) with senior management or the board of Inland Fisheries Ireland concerning any issues raised with the department related to the incident/accident and/or uninsured vehicles (which, for context, was discussed at the PAC hearing in July 2023 and April 2024. Period: 1 January 2025-present • A copy of any correspondence (including attachments) with senior management or the board of Inland Fisheries Ireland concerning any protected disclosures received concerning Inland Fisheries Ireland. Period: 1 January 2025-present	(a) Refused (b) Refused	(a) 03 November 2025 (b) 20 October 2025

FOI-0218-2025	Journalist	08 October 2025 • A record of relevant correspondence to the Minister regarding changes to the proposed model aimed at reducing the use of paper and plastic cups typically used as coffee cups. • A record of any submissions made regarding new intended proposals to reduce the use of paper and plastic cups typically used as coffee cups, dated between June 1 and the date of this request	Part-granted	15 October 2025
FOI-0217-2025	Journalist	01 October 2025 I am seeking information relating to the sale of the former Bord na Móna plant at Littleton, Co Tipperary, to Sabrina Integrated Services. Bord na Móna entered into a partnership with this company to recycle plastics at the facility. I request: • All notes, records and documents concerning the partnership between Sabrina Integrated Services and Bord na Móna, including details of how the partnership operated. • The sale price of the Littleton plant, its market value at the time of sale, details of the transaction, and all reports or documents concerning the intended use of the property after the change of ownership in late 2020. • Any information on whether funds from the Immigrant Investor Programme (IIP) were used in the transaction. • Copies of all notes, emails and records of representations from elected politicians to the Department or Bord na Móna concerning the use of the facility, both prior to the partnership with Sabrina Integrated Services and in relation to the subsequent sale.	Granted	30 October 2025

		• Records of any meetings held to arrange the partnership and/or sale of the facility, including agendas, minutes, notes, and a list of attendees • I would also like information on how the sale of this premises was accounted for by the Department and Bord na Mona.		
FOI-0216-2025	Journalist	01 October 2025 Seeking a list of esubmissions submitted to the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications through the e-submissions channel. I wish for my request to cover the period from 01-09-2025 - 30-09-2025.	Granted	27 October 2025
FOI-0215-2025	Journalist	30 September 2025 I am seeking a copy of the following ministerial submissions: - Climate Finance Expenditure for 2025 - An Post CEO Remuneration Increase Request - Clean Air Strategy 2025 Progress Report - Dublin Pride 2025 Sponsorship	(a) Granted (c) Granted (d) Granted	(a) 16 October 2025 (c) 24 October 2025 (d) 04 November 2025

FOI-0214-2025	Business / Interest Group	25 September 2025 I am writing to formally request access to records concerning planned Information and Communication Technology (ICT) procurements for the current financial year (2025/26). As part of our organisation's interest in understanding upcoming ICT procurement initiatives, I kindly request access to the following information: 1. Details of the ICT budget and planned ICT projects or initiatives for the current financial year (2025/26). 2. Documentation outlining planned ICT procurements for FY 2025/26, including (but not limited to) hardware, software, ICT maintenance agreements, and related services.	Refused	23 October 2025
FOI-0213-2025	Journalist	24 September 2025 I am looking for records related to the revision of the EU's urban waste water directive during the period January 2024 until the present. Specifically, I would like access to records related to contacts between the minister/department and Novartis, MSD, Teva Pharmaceuticals, Clonmel Healthcare, Abbvie, Roche, the Irish Pharmaceutical Healthcare Association, the Alliance of Medicines for Ireland and Instinctif Partners Public Affairs Ireland.	Granted	20 November 2025
FOI-0212-2025	Journalist	24 September 2025 I am seeking a copy of the following reports: - Strengthening Energy Regulation Oversight (European Economic Research).	(a) Refused	(a) 08 October 2025

		- A review of climate communications and engagement in Ireland (George Marshall). - Interim evaluation report on the NBP (Ernst & Young) - Environmental Monitoring of Historic Mines (MKO Ireland)	(b) Part-granted	(b) 22 October 2025
FOI-0211-2025	Journalist	24 September 2025 I request the following records from GSI to cover the period 1 June 2024-present: • A copy of any site inspection reports, assessments or reports concerning the tailings management facility at the Silvermines complex in Co Tipperary; • A copy of any correspondence with the internal audit unit in DCEE concerning the tailings management facility at the Silvermines complex in Co Tipperary		
FOI-0210-2025	Member of the Public	23 September 2025 1. Records (since 1 January 2022) of cyber incidents attributed or suspected to involve Russian state actors, or their proxies, that targeted Irish critical infrastructure or government systems. 2. Internal risk assessments, briefing notes, or correspondence referring to increased Russian cyber or disinformation activity linked to the war in Ukraine. 3. Records of communications between the NCSC and EU/NATO partners on coordinated responses to Russian cyber threats.	Transferred	26 September 2025

FOI-0209-2025	Journalist	23 September 2025 The submissions collected in response to the department's Public Consultation on the Feasibility of Transitioning Ireland's Waste Collection Market from its Current Side-by-Side Licensing System to a Franchise Tendering System between 1 May and 10 June 2025.	Refused	04 November 2025
FOI-0208-2025	Journalist	23 September 2025 I request the following records within the period 1 January 2024-present: 1)A copy of the recent audit of the Digital Hub Development Agency (DHDA) with an overall rating of “Unsatisfactory”; 2)A copy of the recent Travel and Subsistence Audit 3)A copy of the recent Celtic Interconnector audit; 4)A copy of the recent Climate Action Plan - Process for Tracking Delivery of DECC Actions audit 5)The audit committee meeting in April 2025 discussed a potential fraud incident with an agency with an update report and/or lessons learned report were discussed/provided. Please release a copy of any such records.	Part-granted	12 November 2025

FOI-0207-2025	Journalist	22 September 2025 The application is for all correspondence received by the Assistant Secretary from Eli Lilly or its representatives since January 1, 2025 The application should include, but not be limited to, the records related to this return on the Lobbying Register: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/131682/eli-lilly-and-company	Transferred	24 September 2025
FOI-0206-2025	Journalist	22 September 2025 The application is for any correspondence received by Google, or the minutes of any meetings held with its representatives, on the subject of regulatory alignment, simplification and competitiveness at national and EU levels. The application should include any records relating to this meeting referred to in the Lobbying Register - https://www.lobbying.ie/return/131762/google-ireland-limited	Transferred	24 September 2025
FOI-0205-2025	Journalist	22 September 2025 Any emails, letters, correspondence, briefing notes, memos and meeting notes held in relation to meetings held between Darragh O'Brien and Vermillion between May 1 and August 31st, 2025, as per this lobbying return	Part-granted	20 October 2025

FOI-0204-2025	Journalist	22 September 2025 Minutes of meeting(s) held between Darragh O'Brien, Minister and Aine Doyle, Special Adviser, and Stephen Garvey of Glenveagh, between the dates of 1 May, 2025 to 31 Aug, 2025.	Granted	20 October 2025
FOI-0203-2025	Journalist	22 September 2025 I am seeking copies of the following esubmissions and ancillary documents: - Response to request for Ministers observations to ABP 322568-25 - Letter to Office of Ceann Comhairle - Correspondence to the Ceann Comhairle regarding PQ 42032/25 - Standing Order 55 in respect of PQ Ref: 43013/25 I wish for my request to cover the period from 1/1/2025 - 21/9/2025.	(a)Granted (c)Granted (d) Granted	(a)15 October 2025 (c)20 October 2025 (d)03 October 2025
FOI-0202-2025	Member of the Public	18 September 2025 I am requesting all Government records containing reference to the term "Geoengineering"	Refused	17 October 2025

FOI-0201-2025	Journalist	12 September 2025 The application is for all correspondence with Corio Generation since January 1, 2022, in relation to the performance security guarantee it lodged with the Government in relation to the Sceirde Rocks Windfarm development.	Part-granted	10 October 2025
FOI-0200-2025	Business / Interest Group	11 September 2025 1. A list or summary of cases (from 2011 to present) in which cost protection under the Aarhus Convention (Article 9) or Irish implementing laws (including Section 50B of the Planning and Development Act 2000, or the Environment (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2011) was granted, applied, or recognised in judicial proceedings. 2. Any records (internal reports, correspondence, or summaries) held by the Department identifying: • Individuals, organisations, or NGOs who were granted Aarhus based protective cost status in court cases involving environmental matters. • Statistical summaries or case tracking information of such beneficiaries, if maintained.	Refused	07 October 2025
FOI-0199-2025	Journalist	10 September 2025 I would like to request the contents of a letter, dated 16th December 2024, from the Irish Waste Management Association (IWMA), to Mr Philip Nugent of the Department of Climate, Energy and the Environment, with the subject line "Li-ion batteries". I would also like to request any following correspondence between the two parties.	Granted	08 October 2025

FOI-0198-2025	Journalist	10 September 2025 • Any emails, letters, correspondence, notes, memos and meeting minutes sent in connection to the Minister O'Brien meeting with Aer Cap during the summer • Any follow-up emails or correspondence between the Minister and Aercap officials after the meeting and any correspondence detailing future meetings.	Transferred	15 September 2025
FOI-0197-2025	Journalist	10 September 2025 • Any emails, letters, correspondence, notes, memos and meeting minutes sent in connection to the Minister O'Brien meeting with Vermillion during the summer • Any follow-up emails or correspondence between the Minister and Vermillion after the meeting and any correspondence detailing future meetings.	Part-granted	08 October 2025
FOI-0196-2025	Journalist	10 September 2025 • Any emails, letters, correspondence, notes, memos and meeting minutes sent in connection to the Minister O'Brien meeting with EDF renewables in June • Any follow-up emails or correspondence between the Minister and EDF after the meeting and any correspondence detailing future meetings.	Part-granted	08 October 2025

FOI-0195-2025	Journalist	10 September 2025 • Any emails, letters, correspondence, notes, memos and meeting minutes sent in connection to the Minister O'Brien meeting with Nephin Energy CEO in June • Any follow-up emails or correspondence between the Minister and Nephin after the meeting and any correspondence detailing future meetings.	Part-granted	20 October 2025
FOI-0194-2025	Journalist	10 September 2025 • Any emails, letters, correspondence, notes, memos and meeting minutes sent in connection to the Minister O'Brien meeting with Aer Lingus in April • Any follow-up emails or correspondence between the Minister and Aer Lingus officials after the meeting and any correspondence detailing future meetings.	Transferred	15 September 2025
FOI-0193-2025	Journalist	10 September 2025 • Any emails, letters, correspondence, notes, memos and meeting minutes sent in connection to the Minister O'Brien meeting with Kevin Miller from Amazon Web Services in March 2025. • Any follow-up emails or correspondence between the Minister and Amazon officials after the meeting and any correspondence detailing future meetings.	Part-granted	10 October 2025
FOI-0192-2025	Journalist	03 September 2025 1. Correspondence/communications held by the Department of Climate, Environment and Energy between the Department, its Ministers and/or senior officials and any or all of the following: The Alliance for Zero Carbon Heating (TAZCH)	(a) Part-granted (b) Part-granted	(a) 29 September 2025

		Fuels For Ireland UK and Ireland Fuel Distribution Association (UKIFDA) Oil Firing Technical Association (OFTEC) from June 1 2024 to the present. 2. Correspondence/communications between the Department and its Ministers and/or senior officials internally or with other Departments, their Ministers and/or senior officials in relation to correspondence/communications from the organisations listed above, also from June 1 2024 to the present.		(b) 01 October 2025
FOI-0191-2025	Journalist	02 September 2025 • Copies of all correspondence between Minister Darragh O'Brien and representatives of Meta, Apple, Microsoft, Intel, X, Google, Tik Tok, Amazon, Amazon Web Services. • Copies of the minutes of all meetings between Mr O'Brien and representatives of the same companies. The time period can be limited to 12/6/2025 to 2/9/2025.	Withdrawn	12 September 2025
FOI-0190-2025	Journalist	02 September 2025 I am seeking a copy of the following ministerial submissions. With regard to the BnaM CEO, please note that the annual salary attached to this role is published as a matter of course in their annual report. - Bord na Móna CEO three-year contract extension and remuneration increase - Ministers briefing for meeting with William Walsh	(a) Part-Granted (b) Part-Granted	(a) 30 September 2025 (b) 16 September 2025

		- SEAI Request for Consent to Lease New Accommodation - Briefing for Minister O'Brien's meeting with ESB - Briefing for the Minister – CRU - RTE v Office of the Commissioner for Environmental information and Art 267 referral to CJEU - Ministerial Letter and Business Case Regarding Bord na Móna CEO Remuneration - Bord na Móna CEO three-year contract extension and interim remuneration increase - Bord na Móna CEO Contract Offer and Extension - Abandonment Sceirde Rocks offshore wind project	(c) Part-Granted (d) Part-Granted (e) Part-Granted (f) Refused	(c) 24 September 2025 (d) 29 September 2025 (e) 30 September 2025 (f) 26 September 2025
FOI-0189-2025	Journalist	01 September 2025 I wish to request access to the following records/details: • Any minutes from the National Energy Affordability Taskforce meetings to date • Any internal department briefings prepared on the basis of National Energy Affordability Taskforce proposals.	Part-granted	29 September 2025

FOI-0188-2025	Journalist	01 September 2025 I wish to request access to the following records/details: • Any letter/email communications between Minister Darragh O'Brien and the ceo or chair of Eirgrid between February 2025 and now. • Minutes from meetings between the minister and Eirgrid's ceo or chair. • Any internal briefings prepared in advance of those meetings for the minister.	(a)Part-granted (b)Part - Granted	(a) 03 October 2025 (b) 25 September 2025
FOI-0187-2025	Journalist	01 September 2025 I wish to request access to the following records/details between February this year up to the current date. • Any email communications, minutes of meetings, and internal briefings linked to the following meetings in the ministers diary o Jarlath Trench, Vermilion - 26th June o Kevin McPartlan, Fuels for Ireland, 25 June o Tom O'Brien, Nephin Energy, 24 June o EDF Renewables, 25th June	(a) Part-granted (b) & (c) Part-granted (d) Part-granted	(a) 03 October 2025 (b) & (c) 20 October 2025 (c) 29 October 2025

FOI-0186-2025	Journalist	01 September 2025 I wish to request access to the following records/details between February this year up to the current date. • Any communications between tech companies Amazon, Meta, Google and Equinix and the minister. • Any briefings for the minister prepared in advance of meetings with the above. • Minutes from those meetings.	Part-granted	29 September 2025
FOI-0185-2025	Journalist	01 September 2025 Seeking a list of esubmissions submitted to the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications through the e-submissions channel. I wish for my request to cover the period from 01-08-2025 - 31-08-2025.	Granted	21 September 2025
FOI-0184-2025	Journalist	01 September 2025 Seeking copies of the following esubmissions and ancillary documents: - Commission Assessment of Ireland's National Energy Climate Plan - Aughinish Alumina suspension from ex-ante electricity markets - Letters to CRU, ESBN and GNI regarding consumer protection the electricity and gas domestic markets - Letter to CRU regarding Household Electricity and Gas Arrears - Urban electricity supply letter to ESB and EirGrid I wish for my request to cover the period from 1/1/2025 - 31/8/2025	(a)Part-granted (b) Part-granted (c) Granted	(a)25 September 2025 (b) 17 September 2025 (c) 25 September 2025

FOI-0183-2025	Journalist	28 August 2025 I would like to request copies of all records for the period 1 January 2020 to date relating to: (a) any contracts or other commercial agreements for the provision of media monitoring services to include all tender documents, the name of the third party service provider(s), the cost of the service – with a breakdown if the cost is apportioned across different elements of the overall service, and the current term of the contract.	Withdrawn	25 September 2025
FOI-0182-2025	Journalist	27 August 2025 Seeking copies of the following esubmissions and ancillary documents: - Reply to Minister for Public Expenditure on NDP Review - Oil Market Update following Israel/Iran developme - The Commission for Regulation of Utilities (CRU) 2025 Work Plannts - Letter to Moneypoint Power Station Manager - Dublin Pride 2025 Sponsorship I wish for my request to cover the period from 1/1/2025 - 28/8/2025.	(a) Granted (b) Granted (c) Part-Granted (d) Granted (e) Granted	(a) 24 September 2025 (b) 30 September 2025 (c) 24 September 2025 (d) 03 October 2025 (e) 23 September 2025

FOI-0181-2025	Journalist	21 August 2025 I request the following records concerning Re-turn and the deposit return scheme; 1. Any overview, briefing or analysis concerning Vat which Re-turn must pay to Revenue or settle with Revenue on income from unredeemed deposits (Period: 1 January 2025-present); 2. Any correspondence (including attachments) with Re-turn concerning Vat payments/ settlements on income from unredeemed deposits (Period: 1 January 2025-present); 3. Records since 1 August 2023 related to the lobbying activities in the following return: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/99809/deposit-return-scheme-ireland-clg • Please include all documents provided by the lobbying party, as well as notes or minutes from any meetings and all departmental or ministerial correspondence returned to the lobbying party. Please also include internal records concerning these lobbying events including memos, speaking notes, briefings, and preparatory and follow-up internal correspondence on the matters raised at the initial meeting. Please exclude administrative emails related to setting up or organising meetings. Clarification received 26/08/2025 I can reduce the timeframe in part 3 to the end of December 2023	Part-granted	23 September 2025
FOI-0180-2025	Oireachtas/Public Representative	21 August 2025 The correspondence sent by Minister Darragh O'Brien to An Comisiún Pleanála, which was due to be sent on Thursday August 7th, 2025, in relation to the Government's policy on a liquified natural gas terminal.	Refused	28 August 2025

FOI-0179-2025	Member of the Public	21 August 2025 I hereby request access to all records held by the Department of Environment, Climate and Communications (DECC) relating to the Proposed Belville Solar Farm project. For clarity, this request refers to the proposed solar farm development by Power Capital Renewable Energy (PCRE), located near Belville, Monivea, Co. Galway, commonly referred to as the "Belville Solar Farm." This includes any associated grid connection or infrastructure works linked to this development, and any records where the project is referred to under a different internal name or reference. This request also covers any proposed Phase 2 or Phase 3 expansions, whether publicly announced or not, and any Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) or fire safety-related assessments. Additionally, I request any records relating to funding, incentives, approvals, or policy guidance provided to the project. Specifically, I request: 1. Funding, Policy, and Approval Records Applications, correspondence, or approvals regarding funding, grants, incentives, or other support for the Belville Solar Farm. Records of internal advice, policy assessments, or evaluations regarding eligibility, compliance, or energy policy alignment. Internal memos, minutes, or briefings concerning Phase 2/3 expansions, BESS/fire safety, or grid connection matters.	Withdrawn	21 August 2025

		2. Correspondence and Engagement Emails, letters, or meeting notes between DECC and the project developer (PCRE) or their representatives. Correspondence between DECC and Galway County Council, ABP, EPA, NPWS, EirGrid, ESB Networks, Irish Water, Irish Rail, SEAI, ISIF, or other statutory bodies regarding the project. Internal discussions regarding community benefit funds, investment oversight, or environmental compliance. 3. Geospatial and Mapping Data Any maps, GIS data, or spatial analyses showing the project area in relation to grid connections, renewable energy infrastructure, or policy zones. Records showing constraints, overlays, or mitigation measures relevant to energy policy, grid, and environmental compliance.		

FOI-0178-2025	Journalist	19 August 2025 • A copy of the most up-to-date version of the risk register(s) for the Department; • A copy of the last three internal audits carried out within the Department; • A copy of the last three audits of the organisation carried out by external auditors at the request of the department, a parent State body or any other arm of the Government or State [excluding Annual Report and Financial Statements]; • A copy of the last three audits carried out by the department or commissioned by the department of any entities sitting below it, supported by it or funded by it; • A copy of the minutes of the last five audit and risk committee (ARC) meetings	(a) Part-granted (b) Part-granted	(a) 16 September 2025 (b) 16 September 2025
FOI-0177-2025	Client	15 August 2025 1. Any correspondence, documentation or other forms of data within the remits of the AIE regulations which contains information on whether or not Ireland has received a derogation from the EU ETS2. 2. Any correspondence, documentation or other forms of data within the remits of the AIE regulations which contains information on when a decision on Ireland's application for a derogation is expected from the European Commission, if no derogation has yet been received. 3. Any response from the European Commission to Ireland's application for a derogation, which specifies a date and reference number. 4.Any correspondence, documentation or other forms of data within the remits of the AIE regulations which contains information on what factual and legal basis the derogation was sought. I also request this information under the Freedom of Information Act 2014	Withdrawn	01 September 2025

FOI-0176-2025	Client	14 August 2025 1. All records held by you in respect of The Petroleum Lease for further discovery of petroleum as set out clauses 7.1 to 7.3 of the Petroleum Lease. 2. All records held by you in respect of Periodic Returns and Access to Information as per clause 11 of The Petroleum Lease including: a) Annual lease returns b) Monthly production reports c) Quarterly authorisation reports d) Monthly project progress report	Refused	11 September 2025
FOI-0175-2025	Member of the Public	11 August 2025 How much of public resources in total, have been spent on infrastructural cost, and related costs for /broadband/internet/Telecoms since 2010?	Transferred	11 August 2025
FOI-0174-2025	Member of the Public	07 August 2025 I'm applying under the FOI Act for all papers sent and received either by Fax/Emails/Letters by Ms. Kilda Taylor of the Irish Department of the Marine and Natural Resources to ROINN AN TAOISIGH regarding the Foyle,Carlingford and Irish Lights Commission between the 1st of February 2000 until the end of 2000 and to include all papers received from the UK Department of Employment,Transport and the Regions and to include all replies. Copies of any draft letters/letters sent to the Minister for clearance regarding DETR papers to be included in this FOI request also please. All information can be sent electronically .	Refused	23 September 2025

FOI-0173-2025	Journalist	06 August 2025 1. The following esubs (which were released in a list under FOI-0270-2025) February - IDA Strategy 2025-2029 - Update on US trade policy - Letter to Minister O'Callaghan re National Security Authority April - Post enactment report: Employment (Collective Redundancies and Miscellaneous Provisions) and Companies (Amendment) Act 2024 - Approval of Ireland's Proposed Intervention in the case T-15/25 Nvidia v European Commission May - Ministerial Correspondence: Action Plan for Competitiveness and Productivity and the Cost of Business Advisory Forum June - Economic Assessment of Green Energy Park Concepts Report - Review of Economic Impact Assessments of the Potential for Offshore Wind Energy - AI Regulatory Guidance Sandbox: Proposal	Withdrawn	07 August 2025

FOI-0172-2025	Journalist	06 August 2025 A copy of all submissions made to The Department of Public Expenditure & Reform as part of the National Development Plan review.	Part-granted	03 September 2025
FOI-0171-2025	Journalist	06 August 2025 All representations, including letters and emails, made by the following to Minister O'Brien, dated between 01/02 and 05/08- -Intel. -Microsoft. -Amazon. -Apple. -Google. -IBM. -Pfizer. -Eli Lilly.	Refused	03 September 2025
FOI-0170-2025	Journalist	05 August 2025 A list of all submissions prepared for the minister in the period 1 Jan 2025 to date.	Granted	30 August 2025
FOI-0169-2025	Journalist	05 August 2025 I request the following records from 1 June 2025-present about the following : A copy of any briefings or memos concerning any proposed, planned or confirmed (short-term) extension to the NDRC, the state's national accelerator programme; A copy of minutes of meetings and/or presentations from meetings concerning the NDRC with officials from any of the following: Dogpatch Labs; Department of Enterprise; Enterprise Ireland; and/or DCCS;	Transferred	06 August 2025

FOI-0168-2025	Journalist	01 August 2025 A list of esubmissions submitted to the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications through the e-submissions channel. I wish for my request to cover the period from 01-07-2025 - 31-07-2025.	Granted	30 August 2025
FOI-0167-2025	Member of the Public	29 July 2025 I would like to request details regarding press and communications staff working on behalf of the department. Please disclose the following, both in terms of head count and full-time equivalent: 1. The number of press and communications staff. 2. A breakdown of these staff by job title (e.g. number of press officers, heads of press office, directors of communications, social media staff, etc). 3. The overall spend on salaries for these staff in the year 2024/25.	Granted	25 August 2025
FOI-0166-2025	Member of the Public	29 July 2025 I wish to request details in relation to pressers, press conferences and media interviews involving ministers. By press conferences, I mean events to inform the press about a subject or announcement at which the minister(s) answers questions from journalists present.	Withdrawn	13 August 2025

		By pressers, I mean press opportunities where the minister(s) would make time in their schedules to answer questions from the assembled press. By interviews, I mean one-to-one interviews between the minister(s) and a media or social media outlet, whether that is on radio, television, podcasts, online or a newspaper publication. For the six-month period in 2025 from January 1 to June 30, please disclose the following: 1. The number of press conferences held. For each, please give its date; location; subject; and the minister(s) taking questions. 2. The number of pressers held. For each, please give its date; location; and the minister(s) taking questions. 3. The number of interviews. For each, please give the date of the interview and/or its publication date; the minister(s) being interviewed; the media or social media outlet, and if applicable the specific programme (e.g. Morning Ireland); and the media format (e.g. TV, radio, newspaper, podcast).		
FOI-0165-2025	Journalist	29 July 2025 • Bord na Móna CEO three-year contract extension and remuneration increase • Ministerial Letter and Business Case Regarding Bord na Móna CEO Remuneration • Ministers briefing for meeting with William Walsh • Briefing on IEA Analysis of Ireland's Energy Security under Transitions towards 2035 • Briefing for Minister O'Brien's meeting with ESB • Briefing for the Minister - CRU	(a) Part-Granted (b) Part-Granted (c) Part-granted (d) Part-granted	(a) 17 September 2025 (b) 18 September 2025 (c) 22 August 2025

		• Minister O'Brien Briefing Request: Second Circular Economy Strategy • Ministerial Letter and Business Case Regarding Bord na Móna CEO Remuneration • Data Centre Updates - LEU Connection Policy, Industry Roundtable and Grid Code (March and April updates) • Note for Minister on 10 year electricity security of supply forecast the 'National Resource Adequacy Assessment' • Bord na Móna CEO three-year contract extension and interim remuneration increase • Ministerial Briefing Note: Technical meeting with AWS • Fracked Gas & LNG Policy • An Post CEO Remuneration Increase Request	(e) Part-granted (f) Granted (g) Refused (h) Part-granted (I) Part-granted	(d) 28 August 2025 (e) 13 August 2025 (f) 12 August 2025 (g)20 August 2025 (h) 28 August 2025 (I) 10 September 2025
FOI-0164-2025	Journalist	29 July 2025 1. Copy of submissions made by Department of Climate, Energy and the Environment since 01 April 2025 to the Department of Public Expenditure regarding funding for climate, energy and the environment to be provided under the revised National Development Plan. 2. Copy of briefing material prepared by the Department for the Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment, Darragh O'Brien, for his bilateral meetings with the Minister for Public Expenditure regarding the revised National Development Plan.	Part-granted	27 August 2025

FOI-0163-2025	Business / Interest Group	29 July 2025 All records of communications (including but not limited to emails, meeting minutes, briefing documents, memos, agendas, presentations, or correspondence) between the Department and the specified trade groups relating to: • Irish Government's preparations for COP30, including official positions, sectoral input, or stakeholder engagement; • Climate, sustainability, emissions, or land use policies in the context of COP30; • Any consultations, meetings, or discussions between Department officials and such trade groups on these matters. The timeframe for this request is: 1 January 2024 to the present. Trade Groups: • Irish Farmers' Association (IFA) • Irish Creamery Milk Suppliers' Association (ICMSA) • Irish Cattle and Sheep Farmers' Association (ICSA)	Refused	26 August 2025
FOI-0161-2025	Member of the Public	16 July 2025 I am seeking access to the following records held by the Department, covering the period from 1 January 2025 to the present (16/072025): Any assessments, reports, memos, correspondence, briefing materials, economic modelling, or internal communications concerning the potential impact on electricity prices in the event that liquefied natural gas (LNG) is sourced from Ireland's planned emergency reserve.	Refused	22 July 2025

		To assist your search, I am particularly interested in: • Wholesale or retail electricity price forecasts under scenarios involving emergency LNG use; • Economic or policy analysis examining the cost implications of importing LNG through the reserve system; • Risk assessments related to market price volatility or supply-side shocks		
FOI-0160-2025	Member of the Public	15 July 2025 Request for correspondence and meeting notes related to the mid term review of IIFPG between October 2023 and April 2025	Part-granted	30 July 2025
FOI-0159-2025	Oireachtas/Public Representative	15 July 2025 I gather that the CRU's Retail Team provides updates to DECC on a monthly basis on some key market metrics, of which arrears data is one. The report may be sent to DCEE Retail Energy Policy and Regulation Division. I would like to request the reports from the last 12 months.	Granted	08 August 2025
FOI-0158-2025	Journalist	15 July 2025 Any emails, letters, correspondence sent between Gas Networks Ireland and the Department in relation to a business plan on an FSRU system and salt cavern storage as a means to protect the country's security of energy supply since January 2024.	Part-granted	13 August 2025

FOI-0157-2025	Member of the Public	14 July 2025 Since 2022 details of courses provided or refund for employees in data protection law including name of course, course provider, course fee and duration.	Granted	01 August 2025
FOI-0156-2025	Journalist	09 July 2025 A copy of any correspondence/letters/emails, sent and received, between the Minister and any European commissioner, between 1st February and 9th July 2025.	Granted	07 August 2025
FOI-0155-2025	Journalist	07 July 2025 I am seeking copies of the following esubmissions and ancillary documents: - Inland Fisheries Ireland 2023 Annual Report - Memorandum for the information of the Government - Climate Finance Expenditure for 2025 - Note for Info - 28 April Power Outage in Spain affecting its Nuclear Power Plants - An Post CEO Remuneration Increase Request - Update on the implementation of the Electricity Costs Emergency Benefit Scheme IV - Cross Government Energy Affordability Task Force and Action Plan I wish for my request to cover the period from 1/1/2025 - 6/7/2025.	(a) Granted (b) Granted (c) Granted (d) Part-Granted (e) Part-Granted	(a) 05 August 2025 (b) 14 July 2025 (c) 24 July 2025 (d) 12 August 2025 (e) 05 August 2025

FOI-0154-2025	Business / Interest Group	03 July 2025 Five environmental incidents over the three fiscal years 2021-2023 which were the most costly for the Department of Climate, Energy, and the Environment in terms of the remediation measures they led to which your department paid for, or records containing that information. We are looking for the total cost per incident of the remediation measures and any report you prepared on each incident.	Refused	01 August 2025
FOI-0153-2025	Journalist	02 July 2025 A list of all e submissions sent to the cabinet minister in your Department during the period January 1st-July 2nd this year	Granted	28 July 2025
FOI-0152-2025	Member of the Public	02 July 2025 All documents regarding the sale of the freehold interests which the Minister sanctioned of the 1.17 hectares of reclaimed foreshore at Greencastle Harbour to Donegal County Council between 1st of January 1992 to end of 1993 please	Refused	25 July 2025
FOI-0151-2025	Member of the Public	01 July 2025 The Department of the Environment stated on document JOC 29th June 2021 that there would be an interim review in Q1 2023 of the IFFPG. An article in the Irish Independent reported by Ciaran Moran on 29th April 2025 has stated that the IFFPG interim review is competed and I am requesting a copy of this review.	Refused	08 July 2025

FOI-0150-2025	Journalist	01 July 2025 I am seeking a list of esubmissions submitted to the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications through the e-submissions channel. I wish for my request to cover the period from 01-06-2025 - 30-06-2025.	Granted	28 July 2025
FOI-0149-2025	Journalist	01 July 2025 a copy of any briefings, submissions, memos, Q&As, or other such high-level documents prepared for the minister or the secretary general with regard to an EPA report on illegal peat extraction. a copy of any correspondence between the department and the EPA with regard to the report in the period 1 Jan 2025 to date.	Part-granted	29 July 2025
FOI-0148-2025	Business / Interest Group	25 June 2025 Records specific to the following lobbying engagements of Google with the department: - https://www.lobbying.ie/return/126824/google-ireland-limited - https://www.lobbying.ie/return/121972/google-ireland-limited	Withdrawn	30 June 2025

FOI-0147-2025	Journalist	24 June 2025 Any emails, letters, correspondence, briefings, memos, follow-up emails sent in relation to a meeting between Geoscience Regulation Office (GSRO) and Europa Oil on May 22nd, 2025	Part-granted	22 July 2025
FOI-0146-2025	Journalist	23 June 2025 All of the correspondence held by each department relating to corporate hospitality OFFERED to and ACCEPTED by the minister of the day I would like my request to date back one year from today Clarification received 07/07/2025 request to cover the last year, to apply to records held by the ministers office, and I understand corporate hospitality to mean a time when the minister asked for or was offered a complementary gift or service on the basis of their position. So a free ticket or corporate hospitality box for a gig, or a meal	Refused	21 July 2025
FOI-0145-2025	Journalist	20 June 2025 • any record which shows the budget set aside in your FOI body for the EU presidency in 2025 or 2026, and • any record which shows staffing implications in 2025 and 2026 arising from the Irish EU Presidency		
FOI-0144-2025	Journalist	20 June 2025 I wish to request access to any record which show total expenditure in your FOI body in 2025 on provision of free period products.	Granted	04 July 2025

		I am seeking any single record, or the smallest number of records possible to provide the information sought - I am not seeking "any and all" such records.		
FOI-0143-2025	Oireachtas/Public Representative	19 June 2025 All records relating to the EU-Egypt-Israel MoU on gas in the period October 2024 – present	Part-granted	17 July 2025
FOI-0142-2025	Journalist	19 June 2025 Correspondence (from the period 1 Jan, 2025 to 30 Apr, 2025) between Patrick Neary (Assistant Secretary Department of Environment, Climate and Communications) and Google Ireland Limited related to the following Lobbying Register entry - https://www.lobbying.ie/return/126824/google-ireland-limited Minutes from meetings (held in the period 1 Jan, 2025 to 30 Apr, 2025) between Patrick Neary (Assistant Secretary Department of Environment, Climate and Communications) and Google Ireland Limited related to the following Lobbying Register entry - https://www.lobbying.ie/return/126824/google-ireland-limited	Transferred	25 June 2025
FOI-0141-2025	Journalist	19 June 2025 1. Correspondence between the minister and officials above principal level or higher on NDRC, the organisation which operates the national start-up accelerator, from May 01 to June 18, 2025 2. Correspondence between the department and NDRC over the same time period 2. Correspondence between the department and the Department of Enterprise over the same time period.	Transferred	20 June 2025

FOI-0140-2025	Journalist	18 June 2025 1. Copies of all internal correspondence, within the department, related to the attendance/invitation to attend, of any Minister, or Minister of State in the department, at any meetings of the Council of the EU, between 20th January and 18th June 2025. 2. Copies of the diary of the Minister and any Ministers of State in the department, for the calendar week of any Council of the EU meetings the department was invited to, between 20th January and 18th June 2025. (This request is being sent to every department, while the timeframe is wide, I suspect most departments would only have one, maybe two, meetings where their Minister was invited to attend a Council of the EU meeting in this period. This request would be for correspondence, including but not limited to that related to planning and scheduling, in cases where the Minister, or Minister of State, attended, or could not attend)	Part-granted	16 July 2025
FOI-0139-2025	Member of the Public	16 June 2025 Please provide me with the training material your staff use to respond to FOI requests. I am happy to take advice on how to amend the request if the volume of material is excessive. My particular interest is in the guidance they are given on assumption of openness and how they are instructed on how to apply exemptions. Not the background to the introduction of the Act,	Refused	04 July 2025
FOI-0138-2025	Member of the Public	13 June 2025 I wish to request a list of recommendations delivered by Ireland's multiple youth citizen assemblies on climate action and biodiversity loss that have been implemented by government.	Refused	14 July 2025

FOI-0137-2025	Journalist	20 June 2025 - Any correspondence between the Electricity Association of Ireland (EAI) and department officials to date this year, up to 13th June 2025, related to electricity/energy credits or other efforts to help households pay their energy bills, - Any correspondence between ESB Networks and department officials to date this year, up to 13th June 2025, related to electricity/energy credits or other efforts to help households pay their energy bills, - Any internal department correspondence (emails, briefing notes, memos, minutes of any related meetings, WhatsApp and text messages, etc) related to meetings and correspondence with EAI or ESB regarding electricity/energy credits or other efforts to help households pay their energy bills, also to date this year.	Part-granted	18 July 2025
FOI-0136-2025	Oireachtas/Public Representative	13 June 2025 All records of correspondence with CEPA consultants in relation to energy security reports commissioned by the department. I would like to limit the request to the last 12 months.	Refused	08 July 2025
FOI-0135-2025	Journalist	12 June 2025 1. Correspondence between either Minister O'Brien or the Department's Secretary General and the Chairpersons/Chief executives (or equivalent) in bodies under the Department's aegis regarding Storm Eowyn 2. From the date of the storm to date	Granted	10 July 2025

FOI-0134-2025	Journalist	03 July 2025 To obtain details regarding representations related to nuclear energy over the past two years. Specifically, I seek access to: 1. A list of all meetings, communications or engagements between the Department of Climate, Energy and the Environment and lobbying organisations, industry representatives or non-governmental organisations advocating for or against nuclear energy and/or smaller modular reactors (SMRs). 2. To provide copies of any reports, memos, briefing documents, or correspondence from January 2022 to the present that discuss current or potential future changes to government policy regarding nuclear energy, particularly in the context of the ongoing energy crisis and national climate targets. This includes consideration of adopting, expanding, or revising the role of nuclear power in Ireland's energy strategy. Specifically, I'm interested in communication with internal bodies/organisations – lobbying or representations or otherwise. 3. Any assessments, analyses or recommendations made by third-party organisations concerning nuclear energy and/or smaller modular reactors (SMRs).	Part-granted	25 July 2025
FOI-0133-2025	Journalist	09 June 2025 I request all records held related to the lobbying activities in this return: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/124301/equinix-ireland Please include all documents provided by the lobbying party, as well as notes or minutes from any meetings and all departmental or ministerial correspondence returned to the lobbying party. Please also include internal records concerning these lobbying events including memos, speaking notes, briefings, and preparatory and follow-up internal correspondence. Please exclude any administrative emails related to setting up or organising meetings.	Part-granted	07 July 2025

FOI-0132-2025	Journalist	09 June 2025 I request all records held related to the lobbying activities in this return: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/124410/alliance-for-beverage-cartons-and-the-environment---ace-ireland Please include all documents provided by the lobbying party, as well as notes or minutes from any meetings and all departmental or Ministerial correspondence returned to the lobbying party. Please also include internal records concerning these lobbying events including memos, speaking notes, briefings, and preparatory and follow-up internal correspondence. Please exclude any administrative emails related to setting up or organising meetings.	Part-granted	09 July 2025
FOI-0131-2025	Member of the Public	06 June 2025 1: The number of surveys that were conducted for the purpose of assessment under the Warmer Homes Scheme nationally in 2025 2. The average cost of a warmer homes scheme survey 3. The average cost of a survey under the WHS/EEOS Collaborate Pilot Scheme in 2025 4. The total cost spent on surveys to date under the WHS/EEOS Collaborate Pilot Scheme in 2025	Refused	02 July 2025

FOI-0130-2025	Client	03 June 2025 Subject: Sonar Logs from RV Celtic Explorer Involving Anomalous Contacts (2015–2024) I am seeking access to sonar contact records and associated reports generated by the RV Celtic Explorer, specifically: 1. Date Range: o 1 January 2015 to 31 December 2024 2. Vessel: o RV Celtic Explorer only 3. Subset of Data Requested: o Sonar logs, summaries, or contact reports describing underwater contacts that meet any of the following conditions: □ Reported or logged speeds exceeding 100 knots □ Sudden vertical or horizontal movements consistent with transmedium travel □ Absence of cavitation, wake, or propulsion signature for objects exhibiting unusual acceleration or motion 4. Suggested Search Filters (where applicable): o “unidentified submerged object” o “transmedium”	Refused	27 June 2025

		o “no propulsion signature” o “exceeds 100 knots” If this revised scope is still too broad, I am happy to: • Limit the timeframe further (e.g., to a 2-year or mission-specific period), • Focus on a particular geographic region (e.g., continental shelf west of Ireland), or • Restrict to only summary logs or anomaly reports, not full sonar data sets”		
FOI-0129-2025	Journalist	03 June 2025 I am seeking copies of the following esubmissions and ancillary documents: - Energy Affordability - Cabinet Committee Presentation - Climate Action Plan 2025 Memo for Government - Inland Fisheries Ireland – 2023 Annual Report and Financial Statements - Draft Memorandum for the Information of Government - Letter to CRU regarding strategic gas emergency reserve - Bord na Móna CEO Contract Offer and Extension - Data Centre Updates - LEU Connection Policy, Industry Roundtable and Grid Code - Note for Minister on 10 year electricity security of supply forecast the 'National Resource Adequacy Assessment' I wish for my request to cover the period from 20/1/2025 - 3/6/2025.	(a) Part-granted (b) Refused (c) Granted (d) Part-granted (e) Part Granted (f) Part-granted (g) Granted	(a) 30 June 2025 (b) 01 July 2025 (c) 30 June 2025 (d) 01 July 2025 (e) 01 July 2025 (f) 01 July 2025 (g) 17 June 2025

FOI-0128-2025	Journalist	03 June 2025 I am seeking a list of esubmissions submitted to the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications through the e-submissions channel. I wish for my request to cover the period from 01-05-2025 - 31-05-2025.	Granted	30 June 2025
FOI-0127-2025	Journalist	03 June 2025 The name of each special adviser appointed at your department in respect of the 34th Dáil. The name of the minister to whom they were appointed. The date of their appointment. The sanctioned pay rate for them. The relevant pay-scale that applies to them.	Withdrawn	04 June 2025
FOI-0125-2025	Journalist	10 June 2025 Any emails, letters, correspondence sent from Sustainable Capital Development Capital Limited to principal officers and above at the Department of the Environment in relation to the building of a power plant in Grange Castle, since January 2024.	Part-granted	17 July 2025
FOI-0124-2025	Journalist	26 May 2025 • Any emails, letters, correspondence sent from Kestrel Energy Storage to Department of the Environment since January 2025 • Any memos, minutes of meetings, briefings etc. sent in relation to a meeting between DECC officials and Kestrel held since January 2025.	Part-granted	24 June 2025

FOI-0123-2025	Journalist	26 May 2025 • Any emails, letters, correspondence sent from GNI to Daragh O'Brien in relation to semi-state CEO remuneration since January 2025. • Any memos, minutes of meetings, briefings etc. sent in relation to a meeting between GNI and Daragh O' Brien where remuneration was spoken about and held since January 2025.	Withdrawn	10 June 2025
FOI-0122-2025	Journalist	26 May 2025 • Any emails, letters, correspondence sent from Europa Oil & Gas (Holdings) plc (or Murrays PR acting on their behalf) over FEL 4/19 licence sent to Sean Canney since January 2025. • Any memos, minutes of meetings, briefings etc. sent in relation to a meeting between Europa Oil & Gas (Holdings) plc (or Murrays PR acting on their behalf) and Sean Canney held since January 2025	Transferred	10 June 2025
FOI-0121-2025	Journalist	26 May 2025 Any emails, letters, correspondence sent from Europa Oil & Gas (Holdings) plc (or Murrays PR acting on their behalf) over FEL 4/19 licence sent to Daragh O'Brien since January 2025. Any memos, minutes of meetings, briefings etc. sent in relation to a meeting between Europa Oil & Gas (Holdings) plc (or Murrays PR acting on their behalf) Daragh O'Brien held since January 2025.	Part-granted	24 June 2025

FOI-0120-2025	Journalist	26 May 2025 All correspondence between and all records/minutes of any meetings held between Patrick Neary, Department of Environment, Climate and Communications, and David McRedmond, An Post, dated between 25/01 and 25/05.	Part-granted	23 June 2025
FOI-0119-2025	Business / Interest Group	26 May 2025 We hereby request that the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications (the Department) furnish us with all Records (as defined in the Act) passing between it and Ernst & Young, Philip Lee LLP and RPS Group, and each of those service providers amongst each other, that contains information referencing or relating to (i) the terms of reference of their respective engagement into a review of the structure and operation of the household waste collection market in Ireland; and (ii) the preparation of the public consultation questionnaire on the feasibility of transitioning Ireland's waste collection market from its current side-by-side licensing system to a franchise tendering system between 1 January 2024 and the date of this request.	Refused	24 June 2025

FOI-0118-2025	Business / Interest Group	26 May 2025 All communication since January 2024 with 1. Manna Drone Limited [1]; 2. Just Eat Takeaway.com [2]; 3. DoorDash [3] 4. Wing aviation [4] (or Wing, a subsidiary of Alphabet Inc. which also owns Google) Clarification: I can restrict my request to records in the following policy areas: - Environment - Business and Public Sector Energy	Refused	24 June 2025
FOI-0117-2025	Business / Interest Group	21 May 2025 We hereby request that the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications furnish us with all Records (as defined in the Act) passing between the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission (the CCPC), the Department of Environment, Climate and Communications and the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage that contain information referencing or relating to: (i) The structure and operation of the household collection market in Ireland, (ii) The system of competition of the household waste collection market in Ireland, and (iii) The CCPC statement 'Current waste market structure will never deliver for Irish public' dated 15 April 2025. Between 1 January 2024 and the date of this request.	Refused	05 June 2025

FOI-0116-2025	Member of the Public	21 May 2025 All communication between members of the Project Team [as above], -individually or/and collectively, and with the National Parks and Wildlife Service on the possibility of impact of the Emerging Preferred Route on the wildlife of the Special Protection Area and Special Area of Conservation. Further, I seek information on any interaction between the Project Team, as above, and any other public body,[or public voluntary body with an interest in protecting the objectives of the SAC,SPA] in the matter of impact of the Emerging Preferred Route on the SAC, SPA, as indicated above. This matter extends beyond the remit of responsibility of the national context, as under European legislation, the lower River Shannon SAC, and ,in particular the Poulnasherry Bay extent, collectively are designated protected areas of conservation.	Withdrawn	30 May 2025
FOI-0115-2025	Member of the Public	21 May 2025 1) Any records held by this Department relating to any contracts or services from Palantir for any government service? (For example, financial management, data and analytics etc) 2) Any records held by this Department relating to this Dept using the services of any of the priority boycott targets of the BDS movement? (Intel, Dell, Siemens, HP)	Refused	19 June 2025
FOI-0114-2025	Client	19 May 2025 I seek access to any records held by Geological Survey Ireland (GSI) from 1 January 2018 to the present that relate to unidentified aerial phenomena (UAP) and any associated physical, geological, marine, or geophysical anomalies.	Withdrawn	03 June 2025

		To assist with the practical handling of this request, I have set out below the specific record types and systems I believe are most relevant, along with targeted search terms and filters that may be used to identify responsive material. 1. INFOMAR and INSS Marine Survey Records Materials to be searched: • Sidescan sonar logs • Multibeam bathymetry annotations • Sub-bottom profiler records • Marine anomaly registers • Interpretive reports from mapping missions Suggested search terms: • “unidentified submerged object” or “USO” • “non-acoustic sonar return” • “object – no match to wreck database” • “unusual sonar shadow” • “transient sonar contact” • “metallic return – unknown source” 2. Geophysical and Magnetic Anomaly Records		

		Materials to be searched: • Magnetic anomaly maps • Gravity survey records • Electromagnetic disturbance reports Suggested search terms: • “localized magnetic spike” • “EM field disruption” • “magnetic signature – no geological match” • “compass deviation” • “short-duration high-field anomaly” 3. Irish National Seismic Network (ISNN) Data Materials to be searched: • Seismic event logs and waveforms • Bulletins referencing non-tectonic events • Internal memos explaining seismic data with no geophysical source Suggested search terms: • “airburst-like seismic event”		

		• “non-seismic waveform” • “high-altitude source” • “pressure signal unexplained” • “sonic boom with no aircraft confirmed” 4. Duty Geologist Logs and Public Queries Materials to be searched: • Email logs at duty.geologist@gsi.ie • Public query summaries • Field reports following site visits Suggested search terms: • “burned soil” or “scorched vegetation” • “circular ground impression” • “trace evidence of aerial object” • “soil radiation spike” • “unusual plant growth” • “metal fragment reported by public”		

		5. Geochemical and Physical Sample Analysis Records Materials to be searched: • Lab test reports (mineralogical, spectrographic, elemental) • Unclassified sample investigations • Communications with other agencies regarding unidentified material Suggested search terms: • “sample origin unknown” • “non-standard alloy” • “metallic fragment – not natural” • “high-purity magnesium” • “fused metal / slag – unidentified source” • “microsphere analysis” 6. Internal and Interagency Correspondence Materials to be searched: • Email archives of staff in marine, geophysics, and minerals sections • Memos and meeting notes involving anomaly reporting		

		• Correspondence with other state bodies (e.g. Defence Forces, Marine Institute, Met Éireann) Suggested search terms: • "UAP" • "UFO" • "unidentified aerial" • "radar contact unexplained" • "Defence Forces query – aerial object" • "interagency meeting – UAP"		
FOI-0113-2025	Client	19 May 2025 I seek access to any records held by Geological Survey Ireland (GSI) from 1 January 2018 to the present that relate to Unidentified Submerged Objects (USOs) or unexplained submerged features detected during marine surveys or geophysical work. To facilitate the practical processing of this request, I have outlined below the specific datasets, record types, and search filters relevant to this subject. 1. INFOMAR and INSS Marine Survey Records Materials to be searched: • Sidescan sonar and multibeam echosounder data • Sub-bottom profiler logs and anomaly annotations	Withdrawn	03 June 2025

		• Marine survey metadata and anomaly registers • Survey interpretation reports or seabed feature logs • GIS-linked seabed feature databases Suggested search terms: • “unidentified submerged object” or “USO” • “unexplained sonar return” • “submerged structure – unknown” • “feature with no geological classification” • “anomaly – not mapped wreck” • “non-geological seabed contact” • “object inconsistent with geology or geomorphology” 2. Anomaly Reports and Feature Classifications Materials to be searched: • Catalogues of marine features and anomalies • Reports classifying seabed structures or features as unknown or “unclassified” • Any correspondence with the Marine Institute about unexplained or unlisted seabed contacts Suggested search terms:		

		• “submerged contact unidentified” • “object – no match to charted wrecks” • “unclassified bathymetric return” • “metallic or reflective sonar anomaly” • “structure not matching known geology” 3. Internal or Interagency Correspondence Materials to be searched: • Internal emails or memos regarding unusual sonar or marine geophysical findings • Communications with Defence Forces, Marine Institute, or Met Éireann referring to unexplained underwater objects or anomalies detected during state-led marine surveys Suggested search terms: • “USO” • “unidentified sonar contact” • “object tracked underwater” • “contact of unknown origin” • “Defence Forces inquiry – seabed anomaly”		

FOI-0112-2025	Journalist	13 May 2025 Copy of correspondence between the chair of the Maritime Area Regulatory Authority and the Minister for Environment, Climate Change and Communications since 01 October 2024	Refused	11 June 2025
FOI-0111-2025	Member of the Public	12 May 2025 Communications between the Department of the Environment, Climate, and Communications and the Sceirde Rocks Wind Farm developers, Fuinneamh Sceirde Teoranta and Corio Generation, between the 7th April 2025 and today's date (12th May 2025), on any matter regarding the proposed scheme but especially in regard to the developer's decision to no longer proceed with the development.	Refused	10 June 2025
FOI-0110-2025	Member of the Public	09 May 2025 I hereby request access to records held by the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications relating to geoengineering, specifically the aerial spraying which took place over Galway between 08.00am and 6.00pm on the 29th April 2025. In particular, I am seeking: 1. All records, correspondence, briefings, reports meeting minutes, or emails from January 1, 2015 to the present that refer to or discuss: • Geoengineering or climate engineering activities including aerial spraying. • Any international collaborations, treaties, or monitoring related to geoengineering. 2. Any policies, regulations, or internal guidelines under development or in place regarding the oversight or approval of geoengineering research or deployment in Ireland. 3. Any submissions made by Ireland to international forums (e.g. UN, EU, Convention on Biological Diversity, London Protocol) concerning geoengineering.	Refused	06 June 2025

FOI-0109-2025	Staff	02 May 2025 The number of internal transfers to or from the Department, along with the relevant grades, that have taken place since October 2024. Could I please request the geographic locations of each transfer also	Granted	22 May 2025
FOI-0107-2025	Journalist	01 May 2025 A list of esubmissions submitted to the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications through the e-submissions channel. I wish for my request to cover the period from 01-04-2025 - 30-04-2025.	Granted	29 May 2025
FOI-0106-2025	Journalist	30 April 2025 A copy of any non-papers submitted/circulated by the department to the council of the EU, at working group level or otherwise, between 1st July 2024 and 30th April 2025.	Refused	29 May 2025
FOI-0105-2025	Journalist	30 April 2025 Copy of submissions made by the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications or the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications to the review carried out Senior Posts Remunerations Committee at the request of the Minister for Public Expenditure into the remuneration of chief executives in commercial State bodies. The review of the SPRC group was published by the Government on 29thApril 2025.	Part-granted	8 May 2025
FOI-0103-2025	Member of the Public	24 April 2025 As of 23 April 2025 The number of WTE staff by grade and gender that are employed by the Department in tabular form	Part-granted	13 June 2025

FOI-0102-2025	Journalist	22 April 2025 All minutes/memos/reports and correspondence in the two weeks prior and the month after this meeting provided/sent to the minster/his advisers/sec gen in relation to these meetings: https://www.oireachtas.ie/en/debates/question/2025-04-10/33/#pq_33	Part-granted	21 May 2025
FOI-0101-2025	Journalist	16 April 2025 All internal departmental correspondence (from the period 01 January 2025 to 17 March 2025) received by Darragh O'Brien, minister for climate, environment and energy and minister for transport, about a St Patrick's Day 2025 trip to Miami and Los Angeles. = All briefing material prepared for Darragh O'Brien, minister for climate, environment and energy and minister for transport, about a St Patrick's Day 2025 trip to Miami and Los Angeles.	Refused	16 May 2025
FOI-0100-2025	Business / Interest Group	16 April 2025 ...any engagement between Department officials, the Minister, and representatives from the tobacco and/or e-cigarette industry in 2023, 2024, and to date for 2025. We would like to secure copies of all files, including consultation notes, correspondences, minutes, etc, relating to any meetings with representatives from the tobacco and/or e-cigarette industry.	Part-granted	19 May 2025

FOI-0099-2025	Member of the Public	15 April 2025 I request copies (hard copy and/or electronic) of the early reports of the Water Resources Advisory Committee of An Foras Forbartha - the National Institute for Physical Planning and Construction Research. An Foras is no longer in existence since ~1987. The Committee was chaired by Mr. Larry Enright, Head of the Water Resources Division. I am particularly interested in what may be the first report, probably drafted by Senator Professor James C. I. Dooge, who was a member of the advisory committee in the early 1970s.	Granted	16 June 2025
FOI-0097-2025	Journalist	14 April 2025 I am seeking records in relation to the meeting between the Minister for the Environment, Darragh O'Brien and CEO of RWE Offshore Wind, Sven Utermöhlen. The meeting took place between March 21, 2025 and April 1, 2025. This should include, but is not limited to, records of any meeting minutes, meeting notes, a list of attendees, briefing material, associated reports, presentations and correspondence shared and/or referenced at the meeting.	Part-granted	15 May 2025

FOI-0096-2025	Member of the Public	08 April 2025 On 4 April 2025 Ireland publicly endorsed the The Pall Mall Process Code of Practice for States https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-pall-mall-process-code-of-practice-for-states/the-pall-mall-process-code-of-practice-for-states. This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 for all records relating to involvement in that process. For some context, this was previously addressed in a parliamentary question: https://www.oireachtas.ie/en/debates/question/2024-06-27/101/	Part-granted	09 May 2025
FOI-0095-2025	Journalist	07 April 2025 A list of all individuals appointed as Special Advisers to any Minister or Minister of State within the Department, from 2011 to date, including: • Name of the adviser • Minister to whom they were assigned • Date of appointment • Date of resignation or cessation (if applicable) • Sanctioned salary rate at time of appointment • Total remuneration actually paid during the period of their service (gross, per year or cumulative) Any records containing biographical information provided to the Department or held by the Department in relation to those advisers, such as:	Granted	13 June 2025

		• Curriculum Vitae (CV) • Biographical summaries prepared for internal use, ministerial briefings, or external publication (e.g., press releases or website bios) I believe the relevant records should all be held by HR/Payroll, although the requested information may not exist in a single precompiled record. I therefore request that, where necessary, new record(s) be created, under Section 17(4) of the FOI Act 2014, for the purpose of collating the requested details — particularly in relation to total pay received, biographical information, and the full timeline of appointments and resignations. I would note that, in relation to remuneration, I am looking for both the pay rate and the actual remuneration paid during their tenure. Whilst it may be argued that the actual remuneration is personal information I would note that the OIC has taken the view that "persons in receipt of remuneration sourced from public funds should have a diminished expectation of privacy or confidentiality in relation to that remuneration." Particularly, case 090149 specifically found against the idea that an applicant, the CEO of a public service body, "could have had a reasonable expectation that his level of remuneration would never be disclosed to the public. The Commissioner also considered that release of the salary details at issue would not be a hugely significant invasion of the rights to privacy of the applicant to the extent that disclosure of health or other personal details might be."		

FOI-0094-2025	Oireachtas/Public Representative	23 April 2025 In a recent PQ reply, the minister said that his department was aware of "the challenges around facilitating data centre connections in constrained regions which can lead to grid constraints on the local distribution network impacting other customers' connections" I am seeking briefing notes, meeting minutes, reports or correspondence relating to the Department's knowledge of housing not being connected to the energy grid due to data centres using capacity, covering the last two years.	Granted	22 May 2025
FOI-0093-2025	Journalist	01 April 2025 A copy of reports on/summary documents/minutes or notes of meetings between Minister Patrick O'Donovan and the CEOs and senior managers of mobile phone and broadband operators as well as representatives from Telecommunications Industry Ireland (TII) last February to discuss the impact of Storm Éowyn on telecommunications infrastructure and other related issues. A copy of all briefing documents regarding same prepared for the Minister in advance of those meetings.	Part-granted	01 May 2025
FOI-0092-2025	Journalist	01 April 2025 I am seeking copies of the following esubmissions and associated documents: - Letter of Resignation from the Boards of NORA & INPC - Briefing on IEA Analysis of Ireland's Energy Security under Transitions towards 2035 - ComReg Advanced NIS 2 Directive Staffing Salary Correction - Decarbonised Electricity System Study Phase 1 Results	(a) Granted (b) Part-granted (c) Refused	(a)24 April 2025 (b) 22 May 2025 (c) 21 May 2025

		- Briefing for the Minister – CRU - Minister O'Brien Briefing Request: Second Circular Economy Strategy - Ministerial Letter and Business Case Regarding Bord na Móna CEO Remuneration I wish for my request to cover the period from 1/1/2024 - 1/4/2025.	(d) Part-granted (e) Part Granted Part (1) Part-Granted Part (2) (f) Granted (g) Part-granted	(d) 22 May 2025 (e) 21 May 2025 Part (1) 23 May 2025 Part (2) (f) 07 April 2025 (g) 23 May 2025
FOI-0091-2025	Journalist	01 April 2025 A copy of Minister Darragh O'Brien's engagements diary. The time period can be limited to 23/1/2025 and 1/4/2025.	Refused	29 April 2025

FOI-0090-2025	Journalist	01 April 2025 I am seeking a list of esubmissions submitted to the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications through the e-submissions channel. I wish for my request to cover the period from 01-03-2025 - 31-03-2025.	Granted	30 April 2025
FOI-0089-2025	Oireachtas/Public Representative	27 March 2025 All correspondence between the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications and the Commission for Communications Regulation, from 01/01/24 to present, with respect to broadband and mobile phone service providers using a pricing model where annual price rises are linked to the rate of inflation.	Part-granted	23 May 2025
FOI-0088-2025	Member of the Public	27 March 2025 Please can you provide me with the total number of Dept. Of Environment, Climate, and Communication staff in receipt of the Keyholder Allowance, broken down by each grade (General Operatives / Clerical Officers / Executive Officers, etc.)	Granted	24 April 2025
FOI-0087-2025	Member of the Public	26 March 2025 I was in Cork City on the 24th Mar 2025 and saw what I believe to be Solar Geo Engineering. See attached pictures. These pictures correspond with ones I have seen from other countries where this is being carried out. I have also seen similar formations in Co. Waterford and Tipperary. I would like to know if this has been authorised by the government, can you confirm if this is the case and who has authorised it. Can you please provide me with the details of what particulates are being sprayed into our atmosphere, who is paying for this and what companies are involved.	Refused	28 April 2025

FOI-0086-2025	Member of the Public	25 March 2025 As part of a project air quality in Ireland I am involved with, I have become aware that the Dept. of the Environment , Climate and Communications has in October or November of 2024 written to certain so retailers as to the results of sulphur testing carried out under the above legislation in various parts of Ireland. Having seen one of these communications it stated the following- "As part of the implementation and enforcement of the new solid fuel regulations the Dept. of the Environment, Climate and Communications has organised a national sulphur testing programme. Through the programme 150 samples of coal based products were taken from retailers across the country during the summer of 2024 and were tested for compliance with the sulphur limits as set out in the solid fuel regulations. These accredited tests have raised significant concerns around compliance with the sulphur requirements of the regulations which are stated in Regulation 5(4)a as: (4) Coal products and manufactured solid fuels , including manufactured part biomass products must have a sulphur content- (a) less than 2% by weight on a dry ash-free basis" These communications were signed by Dr. Irene Cadogan, Assistant Principal Officer, Air Quality Unit. I wish to submit a Freedom of Information request to see the results of these 150 tests detailing in all cases, the following information contained in the said communications- 1/Product Name 2/Sampling Result 3/Producer Name	Refused	24 April 2025

FOI-0085-2025	Member of the Public	24 March 2025 Records of all Angling Consultative Council of Ireland (ACCI)/Angling Advisory Group (AAG) meeting minutes from September 26th 2023 to date.	Refused	04 April 2025
FOI-0084-2025	Journalist	24 March 2025 1. Any correspondence, and attachments -- between Department officials and clothes brands/manufacturers/retailers '-- that relate to the idea of an "extended producer responsibility" scheme for used textiles and clothing. I would like any records from 1 January 2023 to present.	Part-granted	23 April 2025
FOI-0083-2025	Member of the Public	24 March 2025 To ascertain if geoengineering is taking place in Ireland, who is involved and what types are being used.	Refused	24 April 2025
FOI-0082-2025	Member of the Public	24 March 2025 I would like to request a copy of the submission made by your Department to Oifig an Choimisinéara Teanga in 2024 concerning the reporting of advertising activities and Irish language advertising by your Department in 2023. I understand your Department received a PDF confirmation of your submission from the office and that is the single record I am seeking.	Granted	11 April 2025
FOI-0081-2025	Oireachtas/Public Representative	21 March 2025 I would like records relating to the costing of the proposed state-led strategic gas emergency reserve.	Refused	22 April 2025

FOI-0080-2025	Member of the Public	21 March 2025 I am writing to request administrative access to the FOI release which contained the document cited in a recent Business Post article: https://www.businesspost.ie/news/officials-warned-eamon-ryan-lng-was-necessary-even-with-additional-clean-energy-measures/?utm_campaign=article&utm_source=twitter&utm_medium=web	Withdrawn	09 April 2025
FOI-0079-2025	Member of the Public	21 March 2025 In regards to the activity and decision making of the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications. 1. What Geonengineering activity is taking place or has taken place over the island of Ireland and its skies/aerospace. -This may include but is not limited to any of the following: SRM, Precipitation management, Carbon Dioxide Removal, Aerosol spraying in and over Irish airspace. 2. What grants/funding have been received to allow Irish air, land, space and resources to be used for these practices? 3. How much does the Irish taxpayer contribute to this? 4. Who are the main contributors to the funding? 5. What is the name of the man/woman who has the final authority on these decisions in the Irish Government.	Refused	23 April 2025

FOI-0078-2025	Journalist	21 March 2025 All meeting minutes or correspondence from 01/01/2023 to current, which refer to any of the following issues at An Post. 1. Restructuring staff, reshuffling staff or changing of routes 2. Delays in delivering post 3. Missing post 4. Post delivered to the wrong address	Refused	06 May 2025
FOI-0077-2025	Journalist	19 March 2025 1) Copies of complaints from the public received in relation to the Re-Turn scheme between November 22, 2024 and the current date (March 19, 2025) through the email address provided on the Re-Turn website or other channels 2) A record summarising complaints and feedback in relation to the Re-Turn scheme during that period 3) Copies of briefing notes, memos or other records prepared for Ministers in the Department regarding uptake, feedback and other metrics regarding the Re-Turn scheme between November 22, 2024 and the current date, including all correspondence received from Re-turn CEO Ciaran Foley	Part-granted	11 April 2025
FOI-0076-2025	Journalist	19 March 2025 I seek records covering the period from January 1, 2019, to December 31, 2024, detailing instances where your Department failed to meet the statutory deadlines for releasing records in response to Freedom of Information (FOI) requests, as prescribed by the FOI Act 2014. Specifically, I request the following: 1) The total number of FOI requests where the Department both:	Refused	16 April 2025

		a) failed to release the requested records within 20 working days, as required by Section 13 of the FOI Act 2014 AND b) did not notify the requester of an extension within that same 20-working-day period, as allowed under Section 14 Note that I'm asking about cases in which both a) AND b) conditions apply. The resulting figure should be broken down by year. 2) The total number of FOI requests where the Department released the requested records later than 30 working days, despite notifying the requester of a 10-working-day extension under Section 14, broken down by year. 3) The total number of FOI requests where the Department refused the request under Section 15(1)(f) of the FOI Act 2014, on the grounds that the records were intended to be published within 6 weeks of the request, but then released those records more than 6 weeks after the refusal decision, broken down by year.		
FOI-0075-2025	Journalist	19 March 2025 - The full ministerial briefing notes presented to Minister Darragh O'Brien prior to his St Patrick's Day trip to Miami and Los Angeles - The full ministerial briefing notes presented to Minister of State Timmy Dooley prior to his St Patrick's Day trip to Canada	Refused	16 April 2025

FOI-0074-2025	Member of the Public	14 March 2025 All communication and documentation held by the Department in relation to the pleading stage before the Court of Justice in the European Union in Case C-427/17.	Transferred	08 April 2025
FOI-0073-2025	Journalist	13 March 2025 • Copies of all correspondence between Minister Darragh O'Brien and the following individuals: • Minister of State Seán Canney; • Minister of State Noel Grealish; • Minister of State Marian Harkin; • Minister of State Kevin 'Boxer' Moran; • Minister of State Michael Healy-Rae; • Danny Healy-Rae TD; • Michael Lowry TD; • Barry Heneghan TD; • Gillian Toole TD. The time period can be limited to 23/1/2025 to 13/3/2025 The records should include copies of any documents attached or enclosed with the correspondence.	Granted	10 April 2025
FOI-0072-2025	Member of the Public	13 March 2025 All research undertaken in relation to the NSAI review of IS465 since March 2024	Refused	10 April 2025

FOI-0071-2025	Journalist	12 March 2025 A copy of briefing material regarding Exercise Cathal (gas outages) presented by Department officials to the Government Task Force on Emergency Planning on March 11th. A copy of briefing/summary report on Exercise Cathal outcomes prepared for the Minister.	Part-granted	10 April 2025
FOI-0070-2025	Oireachtas/Public Representative	10 March 2025 1. A copy of the CEPA report commissioned by Eamon Ryan in 2024 in his capacity as Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications. 2. A copy of the briefing document submitted to Minister for Energy, Darragh O'Brien, last week (week starting 3/3/2025) regarding the need for overhaul of the grant system for private home retrofits.	Refused	08 April 2025
FOI-0069-2025	Member of the Public	10 March 2025 I am seeking information under S12 (1) (a) of FOI Act 2014 regarding solar radiation modification taking place in the skies of Ireland.	Refused	09 April 2025
FOI-0068-2025	Member of the Public	10 March 2025 ● Any Correspondence between Gas Networks Ireland and the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications between 19th of September 2022 and 6th of March 2025 that referenced energy security ● Any Correspondence between Gas Networks Ireland and the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications between 19th of September 2022 and 6th of March 2025 that referenced the Energy Security Review	Refused	08 April 2025

		● Any Correspondence between Gas Networks Ireland and the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications between 19th of September 2022 and 6th of March 2025 that referenced LNG ● Any Correspondence between Gas Networks Ireland and the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications between 19th of September 2022 and 6th of March 2025 that referenced commercial LNG ● Any Correspondence between Gas Networks Ireland and the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications between 19th of September 2022 and 6th of March 2025 that referenced a strategic emergency gas reserve ● The minutes of any meetings that took place between Gas Networks Ireland and the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications that reference energy security between 19th of September 2022 and 6th of March 2025 ● The minutes of any meetings that took place between Gas Networks Ireland and the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications that reference the Energy Security Review between 19th of September 2022 and 6th of March 2025 ● The minutes of any meetings that took place between Gas Networks Ireland and the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications that reference LNG between 19th of September 2022 and 6th of March 2025 ● The minutes of any meetings that took place between Gas Networks Ireland and the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications that reference commercial LNG between 19th of September 2022 and 6th of March 2025		

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FOI-0067-2025	Journalist	07 March 2025 I request the following records concerning the National Digital Research Centre from 1 September 2024-present: • Any briefings or reports on any proposed, draft or finalised exit plan for the NDRC; • Minutes of any meetings and/or correspondence (including attachments) between DECC and/or DETE; and/or Enterprise Ireland about an exit plan; • Any records created as part of a NDRC Steering Group made up of representatives from DECC [possibly now Dept of Arts as communications brief is transferred over]; DETE; and/or Enterprise Ireland	Part-granted	08 April 2025

FOI-0066-2025	Journalist	07 March 2025 • Any briefings or summary reports on the findings of the external review of the CRU; • Any briefings or summary reports on the proposed package of reforms following on from the external review of the CRU; • Any briefings or summary reports on the (preliminary) findings of the review of the SEAI; • Any briefings or summary reports on the (preliminary) findings of the second phase of the Land Use Review	Part-granted	07 April 2025
FOI-0065-2025	Journalist	06 March 2025 1. All internal and external correspondence and any other records dated between June 1st 2024 and December 1st 2024 where CEPA or any other consultancy were given a contract to do further analysis in relation to gas and electricity security, relating to commissioning that further analysis. 2. All internal and external correspondence and any other records relating to the further analysis by CEPA or any other consultancy from the date at which CEPA or any other consultancy were commissioned to do further analysis in relation to gas and electricity security relating to that analysis 3. All information supplied by the Department to Minister O'Brien and to the Taoiseach since the coming into office of the new Government relating to the commissioning of further analysis from CEPA or any other consultancy and notes of any meetings where the analysis was discussed.	Part-granted	04 April 2025

		4. A copy of any drafts of the CEPA further analysis or analysis by any other consultancy supplied to the Department, together with any feedback from the Department to CEPA or to any other consultancy on the drafts. 5. A copy of the final CEPA further analysis or analysis by any other consultancy. 6. A copy of any analysis, internal or external completed addressing energy security risks associated with gas connected data centres, or where not yet completed, the terms of reference of such analysis.		
FOI-0064-2025	Journalist	05 March 2025 1. Any briefing papers or reports to Eamon Ryan, then Minister for the environment, on the housing output projections of the Central Bank of Ireland in its quarterly bulletin of September 18th, 2024; and minutes of any meetings on that topic. This request covers the period around the publication of the Central Bank report and subsequent periods until the end of his mandate as Minister on January 23rd, 2025 2. Any other briefing papers, reports or analyses of housing output projections for Mr Ryan in the period between September 18th, 2024, and January 23rd, 2025.	Refused	01 April 2025
FOI-0063-2025	Member of the Public	03 March 2025 I am writing to formally request information under the Freedom of Information Act regarding any geoengineering, cloud seeding, or weather modification activities taking place in Irish airspace.	Refused	02 April 2025

FOI-0062-2025	Journalist	03 March 2025 I am seeking copies of the following esubmissions and associated documents: - Bord na Móna CEO three-year contract extension and remuneration increase - 2024 Electricity generation mix (provisional - subject to revision) - Ministerial Letter and Business Case Regarding Bord na Móna CEO Remuneration - ComReg Advanced NIS 2 Directive Staffing Salary Correction I wish for my request to cover the period from 1/12/2024 - 2/3/2025.	(a)Refused Refused (b) Granted	(a) 01 April 2025 23 April 2025 (b) 31 March 2025
FOI-0061-2025	Journalist	03 March 2025 Any briefing documents prepared for the Minister, their advisers or staff regarding Ireland's Individually Tailored Partnership Programme (ITPP) with NATO for 2024-2028, as well as any minutes from meetings which discussed it. This request covers 12 months.	Withdrawn	19 March 2025
FOI-0060-2025	Journalist	03 March 2025 Seeking a list of esubmissions submitted to the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications through the e-submissions channel. I wish for my request to cover the period from 01-02-2025 - 28-02-2025.	Granted	01 April 2025
FOI-0059-2025	Member of the Public	21 February 2025 I wish to request access to any record which shows the total number of mobile phones used in Ireland (excluding phones used by staff routinely based in Northern Ireland) by your organisation at the end of 2024.	Granted	26 February 2025

FOI-0057-2025	Business / Interest Group	18 February 2025 I am writing to formally request the release of purchasing records from the Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment covering the period from January 1, 2024, to the present under the Freedom of Information Act. ……. Please note that we are requesting purchase order records (not tenders). The specific information I am requesting includes: (the information given in bold is necessary, but anything additional would be greatly appreciated) Purchase order number or equivalent Purchase order date Line item details Line item quantity Line item price Vendor/Supplier name Delivery address	Withdrawn	26 February 2025

FOI-0056-2025	Member of the Public	04 March 2025 • Figures for the total spend for media monitoring for each year 2020-2025 (up to February 28 2025) A media Monitoring service is any external organisation that is paid by you to monitor and/or analyse mentions across online news, social media, print, broadcast media, and podcasts • Figures for the total spend for media database for each year 2020-2025 (up to February 28 2025) A media contacts database organisation is any external organisation that provides you with a media database	Granted	02 April 2025
FOI-0055-2025	Member of the Public	17 February 2025 I am requesting access to any records held by the Department of the Environment, Climate & Communication that provide a transcript of all or part of the above High Court proceedings. The High Court Central Office have indicated to me that the parties to the case would have maintained such a transcript.	Refused	18 March 2025
FOI-0054-2025	Journalist	17 February 2025 1. The total expenditure incurred by this Department on advertising in media outlets from January 2019 to January 2025. 2. A breakdown of the advertising expenditure for each media outlet, specifying: - The name of the media outlet (print, online, radio, television, social media, etc.). - The amount spent on advertising with each outlet per year. - A copy of each advertisement.	Refused	14 March 2025

FOI-0053-2025	Member of the Public	17 February 2025 Requesting the Ministerial Brief presented to Minister O'Brien upon his appointment in January 2025.	Refused	24 February 2025
FOI-0052-2025	Journalist	17 February 2025 1. The total cost incurred by the Department related to placing advertisements in online and digital platforms and the names of the platforms involved for 2022, 2023, 2024 and so far in 2025. 2. The total advertising spend by the Department broken down by medium - online, print media, radio, TV and outdoor - for 2022, 2023, 2024 and so far in 2025.	Part-granted	14 March 2025
FOI-0051-2025	Member of the Public	14 February 2025 I am applying for all records under the FOI Act 2014 for a copy of the full notification sent by the Department for Infrastructure (Northern Ireland) to the Department of Climate, Environment and Communications on 30th January 2025 in relation to transboundary consultation for a gold mine application for Greencastle, Co. Tyrone. The request includes, but is not limited to: All records between the Department for Infrastructure (Northern Ireland) to the Department of Climate, Environment and Communications in the lead up to the 30 January 2025 notification. This also includes any records from/between the Department of Climate, Environment and Communications and any other government Departments and/or officials.	Refused	28 February 2025

FOI-0050-2025	Business / Interest Group	14 February 2025 • Any correspondence, including but not limited to emails, letters, notes, voice notes, text messages and messages sent over WhatsApp, Signal or other messaging services mentioning methane, no additional warming, 'alternative metrics' for measuring emissions, Global Warming Potential or GWP* between Minister O'Brien and: o the New Zealand Government o the New Zealand Embassy o representatives of the New Zealand Government o Officials working for the New Zealand Government, including but not limited to the New Zealand Ministry for the Environment, or New Zealand Ministry for Foreign Affairs and Trade • Any documents, including but not limited to documents, advice, agendas, minutes, or meeting notes, mentioning methane, no additional warming, 'alternative metrics' for measuring emissions, Global Warming Potential or GWP* which mention any of the following: o New Zealand o the New Zealand Government o the New Zealand Embassy o representatives of the New Zealand Government o Or officials working for the New Zealand Government • Any correspondence between Minister O'Brien and Federated Farmers, Dairy New Zealand, Beef and Lamb New Zealand, the Global Roundtable on Sustainable Beef, or	Refused	14 March 2025

		Groundswell New Zealand. Including but not limited to emails, letters, notes, voice notes, text messages and messages sent over WhatsApp, Signal or other messaging services. • Any documents mentioning Federated Farmers, Dairy New Zealand, Beef and Lamb New Zealand, the Global Roundtable on Sustainable Beef, or Groundswell New Zealand. Including but not limited to documents, advice, agendas, minutes, or meeting notes. • Any correspondence between Minister O'Brien and representatives of other foreign governments referencing 'alternative metrics' for measuring emissions, methane, no additional warming, Global Warming Potential or GWP*. Including but not limited to emails, letters, notes, voice notes, text messages and messages sent over WhatsApp, Signal or other messaging services.		
FOI-0049-2025	Business / Interest Group	14 February 2025 Under the Freedom of Information Act (2014) I am requesting the following information: • Any correspondence, including but not limited to emails, letters, notes, voice notes, text messages and messages sent over WhatsApp, Signal or other messaging services mentioning methane, no additional warming, 'alternative metrics' for measuring emissions, Global Warming Potential or GWP* between the Department of the Environment Climate and Communications and: o the New Zealand Government o the New Zealand Embassy o representatives of the New Zealand Government o Officials working for the New Zealand Government, including but not limited to the New Zealand Ministry for the Environment, or New Zealand Ministry for Foreign Affairs and Trade	Refused	14 March 2025

		• Any documents, including but not limited to documents, advice, agendas, minutes, or meeting notes, mentioning methane, no additional warming, 'alternative metrics' for measuring emissions, Global Warming Potential or GWP* which mention any of the following: o New Zealand o the New Zealand Government o the New Zealand Embassy o representatives of the New Zealand Government o Or officials working for the New Zealand Government • Any correspondence between the Department of the Environment Climate and Communications and Federated Farmers, Dairy New Zealand, Beef and Lamb New Zealand, the Global Roundtable on Sustainable Beef, or Groundswell New Zealand. Including but not limited to emails, letters, notes, voice notes, text messages and messages sent over WhatsApp, Signal or other messaging services. • Any documents mentioning Federated Farmers, Dairy New Zealand, Beef and Lamb New Zealand, the Global Roundtable on Sustainable Beef, or Groundswell New Zealand. Including but not limited to documents, advice, agendas, minutes, or meeting notes. • Any correspondence between the Department of the Environment Climate and Communications and representatives of other foreign governments referencing 'alternative metrics' for measuring emissions, methane, no additional warming, Global Warming Potential or GWP*. Including but not limited to emails, letters, notes, voice notes, text messages and messages sent over WhatsApp, Signal or other messaging services.		

FOI-0048-2025	Journalist	12 February 2025 1. The total amount of the revenue made from the Deposit Return Scheme from the 1st February 2024 to 1st February 2025. 2. A breakdown of the deposit refunds that was returned to the public from the Deposit Return Scheme from the 1st February 2024 to 1st February 2025. 3. A breakdown of the deposit refunds that was not refunded to the public from the Deposit Return Scheme from the 1st February 2024 to 1st February 2025. 4. A breakdown of the funds paid (Include charity name and amount) to charities and others from the Deposit Return Scheme from the 1st February 2024 to 1st February 2025.	Part-granted	10 March 2025
FOI-0047-2025	Journalist	11 February 2025 Any briefings and communications with the Minister, his advisor, and PO level and above on the proposed LNG terminal as part of action 17 for the energy security review. Including any analysis on the cost, timeline or alternatives available from 1/1/2024, to now.	Part-granted	11 March 2025
FOI-0046-2025	Member of the Public	28 February 2025 Briefing documents or notes for the Minister which explained the rationale for changes to the An Post Pension Scheme established under the Postal and Telecommunications Act 1983, to address apparent deficit in the fund, to include the timeframe 2013-2014	Granted	28 March 2025
FOI-0045-2025	Member of the Public	11 February 2025 I wish to request access to each FOI Internal review decision letter issued by your organisation in 2024 and any records released therewith, but excluding any decision letter which related exclusively to personal information as defined in Section 2 of the act.	Part-granted	07 March 2025

FOI-0044-2025	Member of the Public	11 February 2025 Access to any record which shows total expenditure in your organisation in 2024 and to date in 2025 on ID cards, lanyards, card holders, card printers or any software used for producing ID cards	Granted	06 March 2025
FOI-0043-2025	Journalist	10 February 2025 • A breakdown of the Department's total annual spend (for each year from January 1st, 2010 to present) on newspaper/paid media subscriptions. • A breakdown of the Department's total annual spend (for each year from January 1st, 2010 to present) on individual newspaper/paid media subscriptions for its employees, by newspaper/media outlet; • A breakdown of the Department's total annual spend (for each year from January 1st, 2010 to present) on corporate newspaper/paid media subscriptions, by newspaper/media outlet; I am interested in information covering the period from January 1st 2010 to present.	Refused	10 March 2025
FOI-0042-2025	Journalist	10 February 2025 A spreadsheet/table detailing all costs incurred by the State to date in its handling of the High Court case brought by Persona Digital Telephony and Sigma Wireless Networks against the Minister for Public Enterprise, Ireland, the Attorney General and Denis O'Brien. This spreadsheet/table is to include a list of all service providers whether corporate or individual and the amounts paid to each of them.	Refused	10 March 2025

FOI-0041-2025	Journalist	10 February 2025 The Ministerial briefing prepared for the incoming Minister following the general election and formation of the new Government.	Refused	24 February 2025
FOI-0040-2025	Member of the Public	06 February 2025 1. Financial Records & Public Funding • Documentation of any public funding, grants, or financial support provided to Re-turn CLG, including the purpose of these funds and any conditions attached. • Records detailing the management and allocation of unclaimed deposit funds within the deposit return scheme. 2. Contracts & Procurement Details • Copies of the Service Level Agreement (SLA) and all contracts between Re-turn CLG and Repak Ltd., including payment schedules, invoices, and service descriptions. • Records on the tendering process for major contracts related to IT systems, marketing, and logistics, specifying whether these contracts were competitively tendered or directly awarded. 3. Ministerial Correspondence • Copies of all communications (emails, letters, meeting notes) between: • Minister Ossian Smyth, Minister Eamon Ryan, and Tony Keohane (Chair of Re-turn CLG). • Correspondence related to the approval, oversight, or concerns about Re-turn CLG's contracts and financial management.	Refused	04 March 2025

		4. Governance and Oversight • Minutes or summaries of any meetings, reviews, or audits conducted by the Department regarding Re-turn CLG's financial management, contract awards, or operational efficiency.		
FOI-0039-2025	Journalist	05 February 2025 Any correspondence to/from the Minister/the Minister's personal secretary/any Department official at the level of principal officer or higher pertaining to an analysis of the vulnerability of Ireland's electricity grid/energy infrastructure. Copies of any internal reports/analysis/memos produced or commissioned by the Department pertaining to an analysis of the vulnerability of Ireland's electricity grid/energy infrastructure. I am only interested in documentation dating from January 1, 2020	Refused	03 March 2025
FOI-0038-2025	Journalist	05 February 2025 Any briefing documents that were provided to the new Minister on their appointment this year	Refused	24 February 2025
FOI-0037-2025	Journalist	04 February 2025 Copies of all records, including emails, documents, minutes of meetings/engagements, Ministerial briefing notes etc, created by or received by the Department that references any of the following terms: "The 2 Johnnies", "The two Johnnies", "catfish", "catfishing" or "GAA Catfish". The timeframe for the above request is 1 April 2022 to date of receipt. Clarification received 06/02/2025 • the office of the Minister • the office of the Secretary-General • the office of the Assistant Secretary, Communications Sector	Refused	06 March 2025

FOI-0036-2025	Journalist	04 February 2025 I am seeking a list of esubmissions submitted to the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications through the e-submissions channel. I wish for my request to cover the period from 01-01-2025 - 31-01-2025.	Granted	03 March 2025
FOI-0035-2025	Journalist	30 January 2025 All correspondence between Minister O'Brien and the following, dated between January 23 and January 30, 2025: Amazon. Cloud Infrastructure Ireland. Paddy Hayes/ESB Networks. EirGrid. Anne Graham/National Transport Authority. Taoiseach Micheál Martin.	Granted	26 February 2025
FOI-0034-2025	Journalist	30 January 2025 A copy of all briefing notes provided to the new Minister Darragh O'Brien in 2025.	Refused	24 February 2025
FOI-0033-2025	Journalist	29 January 2025 A copy of the briefing given by the Department Sec General and Senior staff to the new Minister for Climate, Environment Energy and transport Darragh O Brien.	Refused	24 February 2025

FOI-0032-2025	Journalist	29 January 2025 Briefing documents and notes prepared for the Ministers following the appointment on January 23 2024	Refused	24 February 2025
FOI-0031-2025	Journalist	29 January 2025 I request access to the following records which are non-personal and which I believe are held by the Department of Environment dated between January 1, 2025 and the date of this letter: • Records of any briefing documents and similar material prepared by the Department for the new Minister for Climate, Environment and Energy and Minister for Transport Darragh O'Brien.	Refused	24 February 2025
FOI-0030-2025	Member of the Public	28 January 2025 Access to any and all documentation held, commissioned, or otherwise connected to the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications regarding the transformation of, all or part of, Whitegate Power Station in Cork Harbour from natural gas to ammonia gas. My request for project documentation covers, but is not limited to the following: Feasibility Study Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Market Analysis Risk Assessment and Management Return on Investment (ROI) Analysis	Granted	26 February 2025

		Social Impact Assessment Stakeholder Analysis Cost-Benefit Analysis (CBA) Technical Design and Specification Study Funding and Financial Analysis Regulatory and Compliance Study Infrastructure Analysis Resource Availability Study Sustainability Study Cultural Heritage Assessment Technology Assessment Operational Study Logistics and Supply Chain Analysis Safety and Health Impact Assessment Human Resources Study Communication and Public Relations Strategy Monitoring and Evaluation Plan		

		and/or any other documents or records that the Department holds or is associated with this project.		
FOI-0029-2025	Journalist	28 January 2025 Request for the Minister's Brief, given to Minister for Environment, Climate and Energy Darragh O'Brien following his appointment to the new Government.	Refused	24 February 2025
FOI-0028-2025	Member of the Public	27 January 2025 Access to all files and records relating to my submission to Oireachtas Petition XXXXXX/24	Refused	30 January 2025
FOI-0027-2025	Journalist	27 January 2025 I wish to apply for the following records: - briefing document for new Ministers by the Department in January 2025; - briefing document for new Ministers by any State agency under the Department's remit in January 2025. Request relates to Ministers and Ministers of State. This is the standard request for the Ministerial briefing notes following the formation of the new government.	Refused	24 February 2025
FOI-0026-2025	Journalist	27 January 2025 The Minister’s Brief, as presented to the incoming Minister upon taking office	Refused	24 February 2025

FOI-0025-2025	Oireachtas/Public Representative	27 January 2025 1. Any briefing materials provided to the new Minister for Climate, Environment and Energy. 2. Any briefing materials provided to any new Minister of State at the Climate, Environment and Energy	Refused	24 February 2025
FOI-0024-2025	Member of the Public	27 January 2025 Seeking copies of the briefing documents provided to Minister Darragh O'Brien upon taking office	Refused	24 February 2025
FOI-0023-2025	Member of the Public	27 January 2025 I am requesting, under the freedom of information act, information about the government's involvement in geoengineering and cloud seeding. Are they taking part in cloud seeding, if so with what company and where? Are they participating in geoengineering of any kind?	Refused	26 February 2025

FOI-0022-2025	Oireachtas/Public Representative	24 January 2025 I would like records relating to the Minister's appearance at the JOC on climate when they discussed the LEU Rebalancing Subvention on January 23 2024. Minister Ryan had been invited but he declined and offered Minister Smyth to attend instead. Here is the opening statement: https://data.oireachtas.ie/ie/oireachtas/committee/dail/33/joint_committee_on_environment_and_climate_action/submissions/2024/2024-01-23_opening-statement-ossian-smyth-t-d-minister-of-state-department-of-the-environment-climate-and-communications_en.pdf More specifically, I would like records relating to the Minister's appearance. This would include records of notes prepared for the Minister and the officials, drafts of those notes, meetings where the approach was discussed and records from those meetings, and any correspondence within the Department where the subject of the Minister's appearance at the committee or the subject of LEU rebalancing subvention itself was discussed.	Part-granted	24 February 2025
FOI-0021-2025	Journalist	24 January 2025 A copy of the Ministerial brief prepared for Minister O'Brien upon taking office on January 23rd, 2025.	Refused	24 February 2025
FOI-0020-2025	Member of the Public	24 January 2025 1. Documents and Records Regarding McKeown v. Minister for the Environment (2013), including: o Any court documents, judgments, or summaries related to the case. o Correspondence between the Minister’s office and other government bodies (e.g., Local authority, OPW, EPA) regarding the case.	Refused	24 February 2025

		o Reports or findings from independent investigations into flooding incidents mentioned in the case. 2. Records Regarding Environmental and Flood Management Policies or Measures implemented by the Department of the Environment / Local authority that may have a bearing on flooding events and infrastructure failures 3. Any communications or reports between the Minister for the Environment and other public bodies or stakeholders (such as the local authorities, OPW or EPA) about flood prevention, infrastructure management, water and stormwater management		
FOI-0019-2025	Journalist	24 January 2025 Copy of briefing material prepared for the new Minister for Environment, Climate and Energy	Refused	24 February 2025
FOI-0018-2025	Journalist	24 January 2025 Copies of all briefing material prepared for the new Minister and Minister of State at this Department in advance of their new role.	Refused	24 February 2025
FOI-0017-2025	Journalist	24 January 2025 Any briefing documents prepared for the incoming Ministers at the Department.	Refused	21 February 2025
FOI-0016-2025	Journalist	23 January 2025 • A copy of all briefing notes or papers prepared for the incoming Minister(s); • A copy of all briefing notes or papers prepared for the incoming Minister(s) of State;	Refused	21 February 2025

FOI-0015-2025	Journalist	23 January 2025 All correspondence between Minister Eamon Ryan and Taoiseach Simon Harris, dated between January 1st, 2025 and January 22nd, 2025. All correspondence between Minister Eamon Ryan and Tánaiste Micheál Martin, dated between January 1st, 2025 and January 22nd, 2025.	Refused	31 January 2025
FOI-0014-2025	Business / Interest Group	21 January 2025 Please provide us with a copy of the documents or records containing the notification of the aforementioned cyber incident to NCSC by Crowdstrike, Microsoft, media or any other party. Please provide us with a copy of the documents or records that pertain any response put in place by NCSC in relation to the aforementioned cyber incident.	Refused	29 January 2025
FOI-0013-2025	Journalist	21 January 2025 Type: Advice/position paper/speaking points/report/memorandum. Subject: Actions/Responses to be taken in the event of a nuclear emergency/attack in Ireland, or an attack using chemical weapons, or other forms of radiation. Time period: January 1 2022 to December 31 2022	Granted	19 February 2025
FOI-0012-2025	Journalist	21 January 2025 All records and correspondence held by the Department relating to 2025 Government formation talks or programme for Government discussions. This should include any briefings, memos or presentations prepared by civil servants in your Departments and given to politicians or negotiators during these discussions, from November 8th 2024 until January 22nd 2025.	(a)Part-granted (b)Part-granted	(a)18 February 2025 (b)19 February 2025

FOI-0011-2025	Member of the Public	21 January 2025 Request access to any document which sets out your organisation's policy or practice regarding job titles and the use of words such as "Chief", "Head of…", "Director of …", "Manager", "Senior Manager", "Officer", etc. and whether these terms are linked to particular grades or salary scales.	Refused	18 February 2025
FOI-0010-2025	Journalist	20 January 2025 Presentations and briefing notes prepared by the Department for the Fianna Fáil and Fine Gael negotiating teams during recent Government formation talks.	(a)Part-granted (b)Part-granted	(a)18 February 2025 (b)18 February 2025
FOI-0009-2025	Journalist	08 January 2025 A letter from Starrus Eco Holdings, a subsidary of Beauparc Utiliites (Panda), to Philip Nugent, Assistant Secretary in the Department of Environment, Climate and Communications. The letter is described at the below link and appears to have been sent at some point between January 1st and April 30th 2024. https://www.lobbying.ie/return/107832/starrus-eco-holdings-a-subsidary-of-beauparc-utiliites	Refused	27 February 2025

FOI-0008-2025	Journalist	10 January 2025 1. All documents, proposals and correspondence Deposit Return Scheme Ireland CLG submitted as part of its application to the Minister to become an approved body in fulfilment of the requirements of s.6 of the Regulations, including but not limited to the business plan for the scheme required by s.6(1)(d) and the financial plan required by s.6(1)(e). 2. All correspondence between the Department of Environment and Re-turn in relation to the latter's application to become an approved body under the DRS regulations, covering the period from Re-turn's submission of the application on 31st May 2022 up until and including the sending of the letter of approval.	Part-granted	12 February 2025
FOI-0007-2025	Journalist	07 January 2025 - a copy of the business case(s) associated with the new set of terms and conditions, salary, benefits etc that will apply to the CEO of Eirgrid. - a copy of any correspondence between DPER and/or Eirgrid with regard to the above.	Part-granted	05 February 2025
FOI-0006-2025	Member of the Public	07 January 2025 Full recorded details of all meetings held between the then Minister for the Environment, Alan Kelly, and representatives of Irish Water, including any public relations companies or lobbyists acting on Irish Water’s behalf, compete with the names of all individuals who attended these meetings.	Refused	06 February 2025

FOI-0005-2025	Journalist	06 January 2025 1. The total amount of money spent by the Department on flights and the total number of flights taken from July 1st 2020 up to January 1st 2025 broken down by year. 2. A breakdown of all flights made by the Department's Ministers during the above date and the destinations that were travelled too.	Granted	16 January 2025
FOI-0004-2025	Staff	06 January 2025 SHRN 26/24: Internal Competition for Promotion to Principal Officer (PO) – DECC: - The number of candidates invited to Stage 3 – Interview who are aged between 50 and 54, and - The number of candidates invited to Stage 3 – Interview who are aged 55 and older	Granted	31 January 2025
FOI-0003-2025	Business / Interest Group	06 January 2025 My request refers to all documents, presentations and notes from meetings with wind turbine manufacturers that the Minister Eamon Ryan referred to in his comments made in an article published in the Irish Times, Friday 3rd January 2025 https://www.irishtimes.com/business/2025/01/03/will-2025-deliverbreakthrough-on-planning-so-ireland-can-fully-tap-its-wind-energy-gold-mine/ Specially the meetings Minister Ryan references in the below line. He [Minister Ryan] has talked to chief executives of turbine manufacturers. “They say to me, in the west coast conditions of Ireland, where you have 18-metre wave height, and you’ve a limited number of days where you can sail out to service and to deploy, they don’t have the turbines yet that can manage that.” Consider 2024 in its entirety	Part-granted	29 January 2025

FOI-0002-2025	Journalist	03 January 2025 All records relating to the commissioning of a market study by Ossian Smyth in 2024 to examine whether local authorities should switch towards a franchise model in relation to waste collection, as referenced during Dáil questions on October 16, to include any records regarding public procurement in respect of such a study, the cost of the study, the terms of reference for the study, a copy of the study itself, and correspondence regarding the study	Refused	31 January 2025
FOI-0001-2025	Journalist	02 January 2025 Seeking a list of esubmissions submitted to the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications through the e-submissions channel. I wish for my request to cover the period from 01-12-2024 - 31-12-2024.	Granted	30 January 2025