Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications				
2024 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-0152-2024	Journalist	12 December 2024 Seeking the release of Economic & Policy advice for ORESS provided by Easter Bay Consultants Ltd, as indicated by the attached screenshot. By this, I mean any reports or any other briefing material received/created in relation to the advice.	Refused	14 January 2025
FOI-0151-2024	Business / Interest Group	10 December 2024 1. A copy of the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications' (DECC) gender identity (or transgender) and expression policy ("the Policy"). 2. All written records including memos, board* packs and presentations, emails, diary entries, written correspondence, notes of phone calls and meetings, agendas, and reports in relation to the DECC's review, discussion, challenge and ultimate approval of the Policy. * Or Steering committee, if the Policy was ultimately approved by a Steering Committee and not the Board. 3. All written records including memos, emails, diary entries, written correspondence, notes of phone calls and meetings and agendas, and reports in regards to meetings or calls with any	Refused	10 January 2025

		outside groups in relation to the DECC's review, discussion, challenge and ultimate approval of the Policy. 4. A list of the organisations the DECC consulted with, in relation to the drafting and approval of the Policy, including clarification on which organisations (if any) received monetary compensation for their advice, time etc.		
FOI-0150-2024	Journalist	06 December 2024 Access to any reports / memos prepared during 2023 or 2024 that informed the decision to withdraw state funding from the National Digital Research Centre.	Part-granted	08 January 2025
FOI-0149-2024	Client	04 December 2024 The tender documents (including any supplemental or supporting documents) prepared and submitted by the Persona consortium to the Department of Transport, Energy and Communications (as it was then known), in or around August 1995 in respect of the Request for Proposals issued by the Department of Transport, Energy and Communications on 2 March 1995 and titled "Competition for a Licence to provide Digital Mobile Cellular Communications (GSM) in Ireland".	Refused	04 February 2025

FOI-0148-2024	Business / Interest Group	04 December 2024 1. Copies of all correspondence between the Department and the following groups: Extinction Rebellion, Just Stop Oil, or similar organisations advocating for climate-related activism, from January 1, 2016, to the present. 2. Any attached documents, memos, reports, or meeting notes referenced in this correspondence. 3. A list of meetings, formal or informal, between the Department and representatives of these organisations during the same period, including dates, attendees, and topics discussed.	Granted	09 January 2025
FOI-0147-2024	Journalist	02 December 2024 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 01-11-2024 - 30-11-2024.		
FOI-0146-2024	Journalist	29 November 2024 The application is for any records created within the last three months re. the decision to cease funding for the National Digital Research Centre	Part-granted	23 December 2024
FOI-0145-2024	Member of the Public	28 November 2024 Any records of communication between the NCSC and the OPW regarding the companies Hikvision and Dahua. This request is meant to cover time frame from January 1, 2019 until the present.	Refused	06 January 2025

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I request access to all non-personal records relating to the decisions by the Minister for Communications between 1 January 1997 and 1 September 2008 to authorise An Post to grant increases in pensions and preserved pensions under Rule 13 of the ‘An Post Main Superannuation Scheme, 1990’, which Scheme was approved by the Minister on 11 June 1990. It may be the case that the Minister issued a general authorisation before 1 January 1997 for An Post to pay increases without specific authorisation provided that they followed a policy of “pay parity” as described in a letter dated 26 October 2006 from the CEO of An Post to the Pensions Ombudsman. If the latter applies I request access to this general authorisation.

The following is a list of pay and pension increases agreed by the Government during this period under various agreements with staff side representatives:

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	1 June 2006	2.5%		
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	1 March 2008	2.5%		
	1 September 2008	2.5%		

FOI-0143-2024	Member of the Public	27 November 2024 I request the following information from the Department of the Environment, Climate Action and Communications, records of the 2024 RSM Ireland report into governance issues within Inland Fisheries Ireland (IFI). Clarification received 29/11/2024 See attached debate link as reference. Senator Sean Kyne referenced the report during his contribution. https://www.oireachtas.ie/en/debates/debate/seanad/2024-11-07/21/?highlight%5B0%5D=ireland&highlight%5B1%5D=rsm&highlight%5B2%5D=ireland&highlight%5B3%5D=ireland&highlight%5B4%5D=ireland&highlight%5B5%5D=rsm	Refused	11 December 2024
FOI-0142-2024	Member of the Public	26 November 2024 I wish to request access to any policy / protocol document or guidelines your organisation has regarding the use of wearable technology (e.g., smart glasses) by staff.	Refused	19 December 2024
FOI-0141-2024	Member of the Public	26 November 2024 I wish to request access to any record which shows the number of outdoor heaters provided for smokers in your department / office / organisation. I am happy to limit the scope of this request to include only your organisation's headquarters.	Withdrawn	26 November 2024

FOI-0140-2024	Journalist	25 November 2024 1. Information on all the tasks allocated under the Work Programme for the Mobile Phone and Broadband Taskforce 2024 -2025. Information should include, • A description of the task. • The name of the responsible body or bodies. • Information on progress so far. • Information on planned future work. • An estimate of the delivery date of the task 2. The presentation (including slides and presentation notes) made on 28th April 2023 to the MBBT, in relation to the Gigabit Infrastructure Act.	Part-granted	23 December 2024
FOI-0139-2024	Journalist	25 November 2024 Records of consultation or consultations with interested parties or others in relation to the transposition and implementation of the regulation, including any draft transposition provided, consultation text and questions, submissions and any follow-up correspondence or clarifications. Records of procurement in relation to the creation and management of a Single Information Point, including, not exclusively:- The brief for supply of services. The tender documents. Queries raised by potential tenders and responses to same. The tender scoring scheme. Award notice.	Part-granted	20 December 2024

FOI-0138-2024	Journalist	22 November 2024 In a recent PQ reply, inked below, the Minister said: "Based on feedback the Department received from engagement to date with government agencies and industry representatives, the intention is for data centres operating in Ireland to comply with the Directive by submitting the required data directly to the centralised European Commission Database." I would like the records related to that feedback – the request, the feedback itself, any discussion of the feedback, or report or synthesis of the feedback would be of interest. https://www.oireachtas.ie/en/debates/question/2024-10-08/40/?highlight%5B0%5D=data&highlight%5B1%5D=centres&highlight%5B2%5D=data&highlight%5B3%5D=centres&highlight%5B4%5D=data	Part-granted	20 December 2024
FOI-0137-2024	Journalist	22 November 2024 1) Copies of complaints from the public received in relation to the Re-Turn scheme between August 1, 2024 and the current date (November 22) 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 August 1, 2024 and the current date, including all correspondence received from Re-turn CEO Ciaran Foley	Part-granted	16 January 2025

FOI-0136-2024	Journalist	20 November 2024 All records (including correspondence, minutes of meetings and memos) related to vaping, vape products and/or vaping policy from January 2023 to present between lobbyists and: (1) Minister Eamon Ryan (2) Minister of State Ossian Smyth Relevant lobbyists include, but are not limited to: Vape Business Ireland, Irish Vape Vendors Association, Respect Vapers, Creative Retail Distribution Limited (Hale Vaping), P.J. Carroll & Company Ltd (and Reg Flag Consulting on their behalf), JTI Limited Ireland (and FTI Consulting on their behalf), Imperial Brands John Player (and GME Media on their behalf), Retailers Against Smuggling, David Curtin & Co (on behalf of Clive Bates), ITMAC - Irish Tobacco Manufacturers' Advisory Committee, Philip Morris Limited and Forest Ireland.	Part-granted	18 December 2024
FOI-0135-2024	Business / Interest Group	19 November 2024 1. Confirmation of the geographical area associated with Arramara Teo/Acadian Seaplants' application (Foreshore License application No. FS006108). 2. Confirmation of the tonnage of seaweed sought in FS006108. 3. Confirmation of the current status of FS006108, including: (a) Original date of application. (b) Date the application was last updated, with new or amended documentation from the applicant. (c) Whether FS006108 is at the "pre-application" or application stage. 4. Confirmation as to whether FS006108 already proceeded to the 'Prescribed Bodies Consultation' stage, and a copy of the report associated with same. 5. Confirmation as to whether or not Arramara Teo/Acadian Seaplants has applied for any other foreshore licence applications. Please provide the foreshore license numbers associated with each of these applications.	Withdrawn	20 November 2024

		6. Confirmation as to whether the Foreshore Unit (Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage/Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications) or relevant Ministers involved, have examined FS006108 (or any other application by Arramara Teo/Acadian Seaplants), with a view to ascertaining their suitability under the transitional provisions provided for in Section 1E (5A) of the Foreshore Act 1933 or to otherwise progress the application under the Foreshore Act. 7. Confirmation as to whether the Foreshore Unit or relevant Ministers involved have requested that the Maritime Area Regulatory Authority (MARA) accept FS006108 (or any other application Arramara Teo/Acadian Seaplants), for consideration as an application for a Maritime Usage Licence under Schedule 7 of the MAP Act 2021 (as amended). If so, have Arramara Teo/Acadian Seaplants have been informed of this? 8. Any and all documentation associated with the above.		
FOI-0134-2024	Journalist	14 November 2024 I wish to seek the following records from your Department relating to the Deposit Return Scheme and the Separate Collection (Deposit Return Scheme) Regulations 2021 (S.I. No. 599/2021), or 'the Regulations'. 1. All documents and proposals 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 documents, records and correspondence relating to the Minister's decision to approve that same application. 3. All documents, records and correspondence relating to the grant of €500,000 Minster Ryan made to Re-turn in 2023 to further its public awareness campaign, which is referenced in Re-	Refused	13 December 2024

		turn's Annual Report 2023 and referred to by the Minister in his written answer to a question from Deputy Cathal Crowe on 24 April 2024: https://www.oireachtas.ie/en/debates/question/2024-04-25/124/ 4. Any and all records, correspondence and data held by the Department regarding the amount of unredeemed deposits that Re-turn currently hold. 5. All records, correspondence and data held by the Department in relation to the number of containers returned under the scheme since its introduction, including a breakdown according to type of container (e.g. plastic bottle or can), and any data relating to the number of in-scope containers placed on the market during this period.		
FOI-0133-2024	Journalist	13 November 2024 Seeking the release of the National Cyber Security Centre Election Risk Assessment report received by the Department. I am also seeking any memos, letters or briefing notes created in relation to this report	Refused	25 November 2024
FOI-0132-2024	Member of the Public	08 November 2024 All foreshore licenses and leases for Hugh Coveney pier, Salve marine / Salve engineering and the Royal Cork Yache Club, in Crosshaven co, Cork.	Transferred	11 November 2024

FOI-0131-2024	Member of the Public	05 November 2024 1. Internal guidelines that were in place in your body on 1 January 2024 regarding approval or authorisation of personal expenditure (expenditure on goods or services to be provided directly to the individual) by the Secretary General or Accounting Officer. 2. Internal guidelines in place on 31 October 2024 regarding the same matter. 3. Any instruction issued since 25 September 2024 to review expenditure approval processes for staff at any grade. 4. The outcome of any such review. 5. A list of all expenditure which was approved solely by a person at Secretary General, Deputy Secretary General or Assistant Secretary General level in 2023 or 2024. I am seeking the smallest number of records possible to provide the information sought - I am not seeking "any and all" such records.	Refused	23 December 2024

FOI-0130-2024	Journalist	01 November 2024 Seeking copies of the following ministerial submissions (FOI-0102-2024 refers): - Climate Finance Expenditure for 2024 - Appointment of Special Advisers - Status of aviation fuel (jet fuel) under the Energy Efficiency Obligation Scheme (EEOS) - EirGrid CEO Remuneration - Appointment of Special Advisers - Ireland's Long-term Strategy on Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction - Data Centre Grid Connection Application in Arklow, Co. Wicklow - Bord na Mona CEO Contract/Remuneration	(a) Part-granted (b)Part-granted (c) Refused (d)Part-granted (e) Part Granted (f) Part Granted	(a)29 November 2024 (b)05 December 2024 (c) 28 November 2024 (d) 02 December 2024 (e) 29 November 2024 (f) 02 December 2024
FOI-0129-2024	Journalist	01 November 2024 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 01-10-2024 - 31-10-2024.	Granted	29 November 2024

FOI-0128-2024	Journalist	31 October 2024 Seeking copies of the following esubmissions and attached documents: - ESB funding requirements 2024-2025 - Climate Finance Expenditure for 2024 - Budget 25 Electricity Credit Recommendation I wish for my request to cover the period from 1/8/2024 - 31/10/2024.	(a) Refused (b) Part-Granted (c) Part-Granted	(a)26 November 2024 (b) 28 November 2024 (c) 28 November 2024
FOI-0127-2024	Journalist	22 October 2024 1. Correspondence between the Minister and officials above principal level or higher on NDRC, the organisation which operates the national start-up accelerator, from January 2024 to October 21, 2024 2. Correspondence between the Department and the Department of Enterprise over the same time period.	Part-granted	20 November 2024
FOI-0126-2024	Journalist	21 October 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, Whastsapp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan and Iberdrola on June 13, 2023.	Granted	19 November 2024

FOI-0125-2024	Journalist	21 October 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, Whastsapp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting Eamon Ryan attended on August 23, 2023 on an environmental legal costs scheme.	Granted	18 November 2024
FOI-0124-2024	Journalist	21 October 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, Whastsapp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to meetings held by Eamon Ryan between data centre companies Echelon and Vantage on July 26, 2023.	Part-granted	19 November 2024
FOI-0123-2024	Journalist	17 October 2024 A full version of recent Gas Networks Ireland Report, relating to Ireland's Energy Security options, as referenced by Minister Eamon Ryan in this Sunday Business Post interview	Withdrawn	22 October 2024

FOI-0122-2024	Member of the Public	16 October 2024 In relation to your recent trips to the U S, i.e. U N and Simon this week to Washington. Can you clarify the following please, How many support officials did you have with you? How did you travel? The cost of Travel for you and your support officials? The cost of accommodation for you and your support officials? What benefit accrued to Ireland from your trip? Could you have delivered any speech given via Zoom or similar means? You want us to walk where we can - cycle where we cannot walk to - take public transport to where we cannot cycle to - how does your travel trips tie in with this concept? What benefit accrues by being a member of whatever section of the U N that we are attached to? Do we not have someone who attends on our behalf and could that person not have fulfilled any engagement that you thought was necessary for you to attend or delivered any speech that you delivered - which presumably once delivered are effectively forgotten about?	Refused	15 November 2024

FOI-0121-2024	Member of the Public	17 October 2024 The Department of the Environment Circular H5/97 dated 13 June 1997. We came across this Circular as referenced in paragraph 4.11 of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council's 'Anti-Social Behaviour Strategy 2002-2028' (attached).	Transferred	21 October 2024
FOI-0119-2024	Member of the Public	16 October 2024 • Documents relating to the cost of Deposit Re-Turn machines • Documents relating to the cost of running Deposit Re-Turn machines • Documents relating to how many Re-Turn machines there are in Ireland	Part-granted	24 October 2024
FOI-0118-2024	Journalist	15 October 2024 • The number of CCTV cameras used in buildings or areas owned/used by the department which include facial recognition functionality built in. • The locations of these cameras and when they were installed. • How many of these cameras are by Chinese manufacturer Hikvision. • The location of these cameras and when they were installed.	Transferred	25 October 2024

FOI-0117-2024	Journalist	15 October 2024 The minutes and any recommendations and reports from all of the taskforces set up by Mr Ryan including but not limited to the heat taskforce he noted in his post budget comments at the press conference on the day of the budget. I believe there are a number of taskforces that were set up. I want the reports/recommendations/minutes of all of them.	(a) Refused (b) Granted (c) Refused (d) Granted (e) Granted (f) Refused	(a) 14 November 2024 (b) 13 November 2024 (c) 13 November 2024 (d) 13 November 2024 (e) 13 November 2024 (f) 11 November 2024

FOI-0116-2024	Member of the Public	14 October 2024 I request copies of all correspondence and documents, including SMS messages, WhatsApp messages, or other instant messenger (e.g. MS Teams) messages and emails relating to the following: • The planning and design of the proposed Hodgesmill Recreation Trail from 2019 to present. • Environmental impact assessments and/or archaeological / heritage impact assessments relating to the planning and design of the Hodgesmill Trail from 2019 to present. • Engineering reports relating to the scoping, planning, or design of the Hodgesmill Trail from 2019 to present. • Public consultation on the route planning for the Hodgesmill Trail from 2019 to present. • Financial expenditure on the scoping, planning, and design of the Hodgesmill Trail from 2019 to present. • Correspondence between the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications and any stakeholders in the project.	Refused	12 November 2024
FOI-0115-2024	Journalist	14 October 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, Whastsapp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting Eamon Ryan attended on GNI pipeline consents on October 12, 2023	Part-granted	12 November 2024
FOI-0114-2024	Journalist	14 October 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, Whastsapp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to meetings held by Eamon Ryan between SSE Airtricity, Board Gáis Energy, Energia, Electric Ireland on September 12, 2023	Part-granted	31 October 2024

FOI-0113-2024	Journalist	09 October 2024 I am seeking records in relation to the meeting seen here. The lobbying return references a meeting with the Minister, as well as a follow-up phone call with Paul Kenny, Special Advisor. As such, please provide 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. Please also provide any notes taken during the phone call.	Part-granted	05 November 2024
FOI-0112-2024	Member of the Public	09 October 2024 Requesting emails, reports, correspondence sent to and/or received by the Department from Orsted and/or their agents in relation to their plan to develop a windfarm at Oatfield Co. Clare Requesting emails, reports, correspondence sent to and/or received by the department from Future Energy Ireland and/or their agents in relation to their plan to develop a windfarm at Knockshanvo Co. Clare	Refused	05 November 2024
FOI-0111-2024	Member of the Public	09 October 2024 'Any emails, reports, correspondence sent to/received by the Minister from Shannon Airport Authority in relation to plans of Future Energy Ireland to develop a windfarm at Knockshanvo County Clare. Any emails, reports, correspondence sent to/received by the Minister from Shannon Airport Authority in relation to plans of Orsted to develop a windfarm at Oatfield County Clare.	Refused	05 November 2024

FOI-0110-2024	Member of the Public	08 October 2024 All records from October 2022 onwards relating to the suitability of X/Twitter as a venue for the Department's advertising, including but not limited to issues of brand safety and content moderation.	Part-granted	05 November 2024
FOI-0109-2024	Member of the Public	08 October 2024 A copy of the planned public engagements of the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communication, Eamon Ryan for the six-month period from the date of release of the information under this FOI request. For each engagement, the information shall include the following: • Date • Time • Location or venue and • Purpose of engagement	Refused	06 December 2024
FOI-0108-2024	Journalist	07 October 2024 I am looking for information on how much it cost to install Deposit Return Scheme machines across the country if possible.	Refused	05 November 2024

FOI-0107-2024	Member of the Public	07 October 2024 I request access to the following categories of records: 1. Initial Development and Implementation of the DRS • Copies of any feasibility studies, impact assessments, or consultation documents related to the Deposit Return Scheme, including reports discussing the expected environmental benefits, economic impact, and public feedback prior to its introduction. • Records, meeting minutes, presentations, and correspondence relating to the proposal, design, and implementation phases of the DRS. • All correspondence between the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications and the Department of Finance or any other relevant governmental department about the budget and projected costs of the DRS, particularly discussions on the financing of the reverse vending machines and operational logistics. • Records detailing the selection of the paper type used for the issuance of DRS vouchers and any subsequent reviews or internal discussions on the sustainability of these materials. 2. Meetings and Consultations • Minutes of all meetings, consultations, and working groups held between government officials, private companies (including Re-turn and any other companies involved in the scheme), environmental advocacy groups, and other stakeholders regarding the establishment and execution of the DRS. • Details of any public or private consultations carried out to determine the format, scale, and operation of the DRS, including feedback from stakeholders.	Refused	04 November 2024

		3. Environmental and Economic Impact Reports • Any environmental impact assessments or reviews that were carried out since the launch of the DRS, specifically in relation to its carbon footprint, transport logistics, and the impact of using non-recyclable materials for vouchers. • Correspondence and documents related to any environmental concerns or criticisms raised internally or by third parties about the operational efficiency or environmental efficacy of the DRS. 4. Contractual Agreements and Funding • Copies of all contracts and agreements entered into between the Irish Government and third parties involved in the DRS, including Re-turn, vending machine suppliers, and logistics providers. • Records relating to the funding sources and cost breakdown of the scheme, including the distribution of expenses for machine installation, maintenance, voucher issuance, and advertising campaigns. 5. Monitoring, Compliance, and Reviews • Any documents outlining the monitoring, compliance, and evaluation mechanisms for the DRS, including performance reviews, regular audits, or reports assessing whether the scheme has met its stated goals. • Records of any internal reviews or discussions about modifying or adjusting the scheme in response to public feedback or operational challenges. 6. Communications with Elected Representatives		

		• All correspondence between the Department and any elected representatives discussing the DRS, including any concerns raised about its environmental impact, the choice of materials for vouchers, and compliance with existing waste reduction laws. • Copies of any briefing notes, memos, or advisories provided to Ministers or the Taoiseach's office in relation to the DRS. 7. Advertising and Public Communication • Copies of all advertising, public communication strategies, and educational materials designed to inform the public about the DRS, including details on messaging around sustainability and environmental impact. • All records of discussions on how to address public concerns regarding the non-recyclable nature of the DRS vouchers and any proposed changes to mitigate these issues. 8. Records Relating to the Voucher System • Full technical specifications and sustainability assessments for the materials used in the production of DRS vouchers. • Documentation and correspondence related to any decisions made about voucher design, selection of materials, and alternative options considered for making the vouchers recyclable. • Internal discussions and correspondence following public or media reports that highlighted the environmental concerns of using non-recyclable materials.		

FOI-0106-2024	Journalist	07 October 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, Whastsapp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan and EDF Renewables CEO Matthieu Hue on October 18. 2023.	Part-granted	05 November 2024
FOI-0105-2024	Journalist	07 October 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, Whastsapp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan and Cathal Marley of Gas Networks Ireland on October 18, 2023	Part-granted	22 November 2024
FOI-0104-2024	Member of the Public	04 October 2024 The minutes of board meetings of Inland Fisheries Ireland, as supplied to the Minister or his office on approval, for all formal meetings of the IFI board between its meeting on 14 September 2023 and the present date. I understand these are supplied to the Minister for the Environment a month in arrears, i.e. upon the occasion of their approval at the following board meeting.	Transferred	07 October 2024
FOI-0103-2024	Journalist	01 October 2024 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 01-09-2024 - 30-09-2024.	Granted	31 October 2024

FOI-0102-2024	Journalist	01 October 2024 A list/record of all submissions made to the Minister or Ministers of State at your Department (if applicable) using the e-submissions system (or whatever relevant/similar system is in place at your Department) in the period 1 Jan 2024 to the date of receipt of this request.	Part-granted	31 October 2024
FOI-0101-2024	Journalist	30 September 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, WhatsApp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting Eamon Ryan attended on DAA' s dividend policy on November 23, 2023.	Transferred	02 October 2024
FOI-0100-2024	Member of the Public	30 September 2024 All files in relation to the postcode …… held by Geodirectory.	Withdrawn	29 October 2024
FOI-0099-2024	Journalist	30 September 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, WhatsApp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan and Bord na Mona's CEO Tom Donnellan on October 25, 2023.	Part-granted	29 October 2024
FOI-0098-2024	Journalist	30 September 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, WhatsApp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan CEOs of Dublin Port and Irish Rail to discuss the 3FM project on November 1, 2023.	Transferred	02 October 2024

FOI-0097-2024	Member of the Public	26 September 2024 • Any guidance notes issued to local authorities in relation to their Market Surveillance functions under Regulation (EU) No 305/2011 or S.I. 225/2013. • Any guidance notes issued to local authorities in relation to their Market Surveillance functions under Council Directive 89/106/EEC and / or S.I. 198/1992 and / or S.I 210/1994 • Any communications specific to concrete or aggregate products sent to local authorities since 1992	Refused	22 October 2024
FOI-0096-2024	Journalist	25 September 2024 Access to all correspondence between Veolia and Minister Ryan during 2024.	Granted	09 October 2024
FOI-0095-2024	Journalist	25 September 2024 Access to any correspondence or minutes of any meetings between TikTok and Oonagh Buckley during 2024.	Part-granted	31 October 2024
FOI-0094-2024	Journalist	25 September 2024 Access to minutes / notes / memos in relation to meetings between Amazon Web Services and Oonagh Buckley during 2024.	Part-granted	23 October 2024

FOI-0093-2024	Journalist	25 September 2024 Amazon Web Services has reported meeting with the department's secretary general between May 1 and August 31 to discuss the energy policy environment, including Ireland's offshore wind goals. I wish to request access to the following records/details: – all final versions of briefing material prepared by officials ahead of the meeting – minutes for the meeting – records of all material presented at the meeting	Part-granted	23 October 2024
FOI-0092-2024	Journalist	23 September 2024 I wish to request access to any record created since 1 January 2023 which. 1. lists / identifies contracts placed by your department with Israeli companies, or for the supply of goods or services originating, or partially originating, in Israel, or 2. lists / identities Israeli goods already in use in your department / office.	Refused	21 October 2024
FOI-0091-2024	Journalist	23 September 2024 Copies of any records/briefing documents or other relevant material held by the Department related to meetings this year between Susan Moss BL of TikTok, and officials at the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications.	Part-granted	18 October 2024
FOI-0090-2024	Journalist	23 September 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, WhatsApp messages, minutes, and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan and Gaoithe Léime Teoranta on May 9th, 2024.	Part-granted	09 October 2024

FOI-0089-2024	Journalist	23 September 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, WhatsApp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan and Paddy Hayes on May 1, 2024	(a) Part-Granted (b) Granted (c) Part-Granted (d) Part-Granted (e) Part-Granted	(a) 22 October 2024 (b) 21 October 2024 (c) 21 October 2024 (d) 22 October 2024 (e) 21 October 2024
FOI-0088-2024	Journalist	23 September 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, WhatsApp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan and the ambassador of the UAE on February 27, 2024.	Granted	23 October 2024
FOI-0087-2024	Journalist	23 September 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, WhatsApp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan and Statkraft on April 29, 2024.	Part-granted	15 November 2024

FOI-0086-2024	Journalist	19 September 2024 Corio Generation has reported meeting with department officials on June 17 to discuss offshore wind and energy policy. I wish to request access to the following records/details: – all paper and digital correspondence (emails, letters, texts, WhatsApps, faxes) between the department and Corio Generation relating to the June 17 meeting – all final versions of briefing material prepared by officials ahead of the meeting – minutes for the meeting – records of all material presented at the meeting	Part-granted	02 October 2024
FOI-0085-2024	Journalist	19 September 2024 Letter sent to the department by Novartis in relation to the urban waste water directive between May 1st and Aug 31st, as outlined on the lobbying register https://www.lobbying.ie/return/112482/novartis-ireland-limited	Granted	10 October 2024
FOI-0084-2024	Journalist	19 September 2024 Equinix Ireland has reported meeting with department officials between 1 May and 31 August to convey Equinix viewpoints on connection for Equinix Data Centres. I wish to request access to the following records/details: – all paper and digital correspondence (emails, letters, texts, WhatsApps, faxes) between the department and Equinix from 1 May to 31 August – all final versions of briefing material prepared by officials ahead of meetings with Equinix for the above period – minutes for the meetings – records of all material presented at the meetings	Part-granted	23 October 2024

FOI-0083-2024	Client	19 September 2024 We kindly request a copy of the policies and protocols related to the management of 999 calls across all emergency departments. Additionally, we would appreciate receiving detailed information on the questions and instructions that call handlers are authorised to provide to callers.	Refused	18 October 2024
FOI-0082-2024	Journalist	18 September 2024 The Irish District Energy Association has reported meeting with department officials and the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland (SEAI) on July 29. I wish to request access to the following records/details: – all paper and digital correspondence (emails, letters, texts, WhatsApps, faxes) between the department and the Irish District Energy Association relating to the July 29 meeting – all paper and digital correspondence (emails, letters, texts, WhatsApps, faxes) between the department and the SEAI relating to the July 29 meeting – all final versions of briefing material prepared by officials ahead of the meeting – minutes for the meeting – records of all material presented at the meeting	Part-granted	16 October 2024

FOI-0081-2024	Member of the Public	18 September 2024 I request copies of records relating to communications post 12 September 2023 between your Department and the Department of Social Protection concerning An Post Superannuation Scheme exemption under Section 37 of the Pensions Act.	Part-granted	16 October 2024
FOI-0080-2024	Journalist	16 September 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, WhatsApp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan and a meeting with transport officials about a Ryanair prebriefed on March 6, 2024.	Transferred	18 September 2024
FOI-0079-2024	Journalist	16 September 2024 1. Copy of correspondence between the chairman of EirGrid and the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications regarding the recruitment of a new chief executive for the company 2. Copy of correspondence between the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications and the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform regarding the recruitment of a new chief executive for EirGrid 3. Copy of submissions made to the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications by officials in the department at principal officer level and above in relation to the recruitment of a new chief executive for EirGrid. The dates of all correspondence should be from April 14th 2024	Part-granted	14 October 2024
FOI-0078-2024	Journalist	16 September 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, WhatsApp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan and IDA CEO Mark Kelly on May 29, 2024.	Part-granted	14 October 2024

FOI-0077-2024	Journalist	16 September 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, WhatsApp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan and the French Energy Minister on February 9, 2024.	Granted	10 October 2024
FOI-0076-2024	Journalist	16 September 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, WhatsApp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan and DAA chair on May 16, 2024.	Transferred	17 September 2024
FOI-0075-2024	Member of the Public	16 September 2024 Request access to any record which sets out the cost to date in 2024 of providing period products free of charge as part of measures to address period poverty.	Granted	02 October 2024
FOI-0074-2024	Member of the Public	16 September 2024 Request access to the job description or role profile used in the recruitment / selection process on the last occasion a competition was held to fill each position based outside Ireland (e.g. Brussels, Geneva, Washington, Beijing, etc). This request should exclude all posts filled by career diplomats or staff of the Department of Foreign Affairs.	Granted	14 October 2024
FOI-0073-2024	Member of the Public	16 September 2024 Request access to the job description or role profile for the position of Secretary General or Deputy Secretary General used in the recruitment process on the last occasion either position was advertised.	Granted	14 October 2024

FOI-0072-2024	Journalist	16 September 2024 1. Correspondence sent and received, as well as minutes of meetings, between Google and Minister Eamon Ryan, between 1st January and 13th September 2024. 2. Copies of any briefings prepared for Minister Ryan, ahead of any above meetings.	Transferred	18 September 2024
FOI-0071-2024	Journalist	01 October 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, Whastsapp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan and a meeting with Amazon Web services on Data Centes on March 27, 2024. Excluding any logistical emails regarding the arrangements of the meeting.	Part-granted	25 October 2024
FOI-0070-2024	Journalist	10 September 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, WhatsApp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Minister Eamon Ryan and Cork Port officials on 6 March 2023 and between Eamon Ryan and the Chair of Cork Port on April 2, 2024.	Transferred	20 September 2024
FOI-0069-2024	Journalist	01 October 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, Whastsapp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan and Microsoft on Data centres on April 4th, 2024 Excluding any logistical emails regarding the arrangements of the meeting.	Part-granted	25 October 2024

FOI-0068-2024	Journalist	09 September 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, WhatsApp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan and corporate governance officials on Bord na Mona on April 29, 2024	Part-granted	07 October 2024
FOI-0067-2024	Journalist	09 September 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, WhatsApp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan and Google on April 17, 2024.	Withdrawn	24 September 2024
FOI-0066-2024	Journalist	09 September 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, WhatsApp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan and a meeting with Digital Infrastructure Ireland on Data Centres on April 4, 2024.	Part-granted	23 October 2024
FOI-0065-2024	Member of the Public	05 September 2024 Request copies of any correspondence, emails, notes of telephone conversations from 28 May 2024 to date between the Minister Eamon Ryan and his officials to and from David McRedmond CEO of An Post or his officials regarding Rathmines Post Office	Refused	18 September 2024
FOI-0064-2024	Member of the Public	04 September 2024 Under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 please can you forward to me any reports available that cover the culling of badgers in Ireland for the period 2018 to 2024.	Withdrawn	16 September 2024

FOI-0063-2024	Member of the Public	04 September 2024 I wish to request access to the most recent internal guidelines or policy document issued by your FOI body regarding. 1. the use of messaging apps or platforms (such as, but not limited to, SMS text messages, MMS messages, WhatsApp, Telegram, Signal, Snapchat, Instagram, Viber, WeChat, Hago, Messenger, BitMessage, Ring, Line, bulk SMS systems), or 2. the retention and archiving of messages sent using messaging platforms, or the transfer of such messages to a central repository with a view to ensuring compliance with FOI requests and data protection SARs. My request should be limited to cover the period from 1 January 2021 to date, and I will be satisfied if I receive the most recent guidance note / office notice / internal circular dealing with the use of messaging apps and the retention of all types of communications.	Granted	02 October 2024
FOI-0062-2024	Member of the Public	04 September 2024 I wish to request access to any statistical analysis of FOI requests received in your body in the period from 1 January 2024 to 30 June 2024 - e.g., number of requests received broken down by requester, by section processing, by result (grant, part grant, refuse), by topic, by category of requester, by fee charged, comparison with same period in earlier years, etc.	Withdrawn	04 September 2024
FOI-0061-2024	Journalist	03 September 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, WhatsApp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan and the GNI, CRU and Eirgrid on Data Centres on March 19, 2024	Part-granted	22 October 2024

FOI-0060-2024	Journalist	03 September 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, WhatsApp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan and Ryanair on March 7th, 2024.	Transferred	04 September 2024
FOI-0059-2024	Journalist	03 September 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, WhatsApp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan and Colin Kelly, CEO of Lakeland Dairies, on March 5, 2024	Granted	05 September 2024
FOI-0058-2024	Journalist	03 September 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, WhatsApp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan and Cloud Infrastructure Ireland on February 16, 2024.	Part-granted	17 September 2024
FOI-0057-2024	Journalist	03 September 2024 All emails, correspondence, memos, briefing notes, WhatsApp messages, minutes and follow-up correspondence in relation to a meeting between Eamon Ryan and Bruno Benasson, chairman of EDF Energies Nouvelles on January 24, 2024.	Part-granted	01 October 2024
FOI-0056-2024	Member of the Public	02 September 2024 I wish to request access to any record which outlines whether and how your FOI body recognises long service by staff (e.g., whether you acknowledge service of 25 years, 40 years or 50 years).	Refused	17 September 2024

FOI-0055-2024	Journalist	02 September 2024 Seeking a list of esubmissions submitted to the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications through the e-submissions channel. To cover the period from 01-08-2024 - 31-08-2024.	Granted	25 September 2024
FOI-0054-2024	Member of the Public	30 August 2024 Copies of all Climate Action Roadmaps submitted by Government Departments and Public Sector Bodies to the Department of the Environment, Climate, and Communications from January 1, 2020, to the present day.	Refused	25 September 2024
FOI-0053-2024	Journalist	29 August 2024 1) Copies of complaints from the public received in relation to the Re-Turn scheme between May 30, 2024 and the present date through the email address provided on the Re-Turn website or other channels 2) 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	01 October 2024
FOI-0052-2024	Client	28 August 2024 The submission made jointly by The Irish Thoroughbred Breeders' Association, The Irish Jockey's Association, The Irish Racecourse Trainers' Association and The Association of the Irish Racecourse Owners to the Department of the Environment's 2014 Public Consultation on the revision of the 2006 Wind Energy Development Guidelines.	Refused	19 September 2024

FOI-0051-2024	Journalist	27 August 2024 All email correspondence between Minister Eamon Ryan and John McGeady, CEO of Social Justice Ireland, between the dates of 1 May, 2024 to 31 Aug, 2024	Granted	19 September 2024
FOI-0050-2024	Journalist	26 August 2024 Form Energy has reported meeting with department officials to discuss policies for the delivery of a net-zero power system in Ireland, enabled in part by long-duration energy storage. I wish to request access to the following records/details: – all paper and digital correspondence (emails, letters, texts, WhatsApps, faxes) between the department and From Energy from May 1 to date – all briefing material prepared by officials ahead of the meeting between the parties – minutes for the meeting – records of all material presented at the meeting	Part-granted	20 September 2024
FOI-0049-2024	Member of the Public	21 August 2024 Requesting access records from 1993 of exhumations on the site of the former Magdalene Laundry in High Park, Drumcondra. According to the McAleese report the file was consulted in the Department of the Environment and was eligible for transfer this year under the 30 year rule but it wasn't transferred to the National Archives.	Transferred	29 August 2024

FOI-0048-2024	Member of the Public	21 August 2024 I request access to all non-personal records relating to the decision (as set out in S.I. No. 445/1992 - Occupational Pension Schemes (Preservation of Benefits)Regulations 1992) to exclude the 'An Post Main Superannuation Scheme, 1990' from the provisions of part III of the Pensions Act, 1990.	Refused	11 October 2024
FOI-0047-2024	Member of the Public	21 August 2024 I request access to all non-personal records relating to the decision (as set out in S.I. No. 295/2008 - Occupational Pension Schemes (Funding Standard)(Amendment) Regulations, 2008) to discontinue the exclusion of the 'An Post Main Superannuation Scheme, 1990' from the provisions of part IV of the Pensions Act, 1990.	Refused	11 October 2024
FOI-0046-2024	Member of the Public	21 August 2024 I request access to all non-personal records relating to the decision (as set out in S.I. No. 371/1991 - Occupational Pension Schemes (Funding Standard)Regulations, 1991) to exclude the 'An Post Main Superannuation Scheme, 1990' from the provisions of part IV of the Pensions Act, 1990.	Refused	11 October 2024

FOI-0045-2024	Member of the Public	21 August 2024 I request access to all non-personal records relating to the drafting and approval of the An Post Main Superannuation Scheme 1990	Granted	14 October 2024
FOI-0044-2024	Member of the Public	20 August 2024 I request copies of Departmental / civil service records relating to Section 43 of the Postal & Telecommunications Services Bill 1983 which became Section 46 as the Bill was amended and progressed to enactment by the Oireachtas, specifically: 1. Records of the discussions on superannuation that took place: - At the Joint Working Group that was set up on 10 November 1981 and reported on 19 December 1983, and - At the Departmental Council before the adoption of Report No. 1635 (Establishment of State-Sponsored Bodies for the Postal and Telecommunications Services) on 30 December 1983. 2. Correspondence between the Dept of Posts & Telegraphs and the Dept of Finance surrounding proposals and agreement on the superannuation arrangements as published in above Sections of the Bill. 3. Copies of reports, letters, memos, representations, etc on contemporaneous information relating specifically to the superannuation arrangements for staff of the Dept of Posts & Telegraphs who were being transferred under above Act to An Post on 1st January 1984. Above to exclude copies of Departmental Council Report No. 1635 and Appendix I, II and III to the Report.	Granted	14 October 2024

FOI-0043-2024	Business / Interest Group	20 August 2024 1. All records created before 17 July 2023 held by the Department concerning or relating to the decision as to whether the temporary solidarity contribution ultimately provided for by section 4(1) of the Energy (Windfall Gains in the Energy Sector) (Temporary Solidarity Contribution) Act 2023) is to be classified as a "tax" or a "levy". For the avoidance of doubt, this category includes all communications exchanged with the Department of Finance and / or the Revenue Commissioners on this topic. 2. All records created before 17 July 2023 held by the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications (the "Department") concerning or relating to the decision that the "taxable profits" which are to be subjected to the temporary solidarity contribution under the provisions of the Energy (Windfall Gains in the Energy Sector) (Temporary Solidarity Contribution) Act 2023 are to be reduced by: "(b) the amount of capital expenditure incurred on the construction or acquisition of a tangible asset— (i) that is brought into use in the accounting period, where— (I) the tangible asset is brought into use in any of the years 2018 to 2023, and (II) the tangible asset is used in the course of carrying on relevant activities, and (ii) in respect of which allowances are made under Part 9 or Chapter 2 of Part 24."	Part-granted	15 October 2024

		as provided for by section 697S(1)(b) of the Taxes Consolidation Act 1997 (as inserted by section 23 of the Energy (Windfall Gains in the Energy Sector) (Temporary Solidarity Contribution) Act 2023). 3. All records created before 17 July 2023 held by the Department concerning correspondence exchanged with / submissions made to any Government department by or on behalf of Irving Oil Whitegate Refinery Ireland Limited or any affiliated entity regarding the actual or proposed treatment of capital expenditure for the purposes of calculating "taxable profits" which are to be subjected to the temporary solidarity contribution. For the avoidance of doubt, this category includes correspondence exchanged with / submissions made to the Department by or on behalf of Irving Oil Whitegate Refinery Ireland Limited or any affiliated entity regarding the actual or proposed treatment of capital expenditure for the purposes of calculating "taxable profits" which are to be subjected to the temporary solidarity contribution. 4. All records created before 17 July 2023 held by the Department concerning / assessing the impact of the "temporary solidarity contribution" (ultimately provided for in the Energy (Windfall Gains in the Energy Sector) (Temporary Solidarity Contribution) Act 2023) on Irving Oil Whitegate Refinery Ireland Limited or any affiliated entity or the viability of the Whitegate oil refinery. We require these records to be released to us in a searchable electronic format. If the Department decides to make these records available in a form or manner other than a searchable electronic format, please specify the ground(s) in section 17(2) of the FOI Act relied upon by the Department to justify making the records available in that other form or manner. If any of the records requested include material which is exempt from release under the FOI Act, we require the Department to prepare a copy, in such form as it considers appropriate, of		

		those parts of the record which do not consist of the exempt material and release that copy to us as provided for by Section 18 of the FOI Act. 1 Request for statement of reasons Pursuant to section 10 of the FOI Act, we request that you provide statements in writing of: (a) The Department's reasons for deciding that the "taxable profits" which are to be subjected to the temporary solidarity contribution under the provisions of the Energy (Windfall Gains in the Energy Sector) (Temporary Solidarity Contribution) Act 2023 are to be reduced by: "(b) the amount of capital expenditure incurred on the construction or acquisition of a tangible asset— (i) that is brought into use in the accounting period, where— (I) the tangible asset is brought into use in any of the years 2018 to 2023, and (II) the tangible asset is used in the course of carrying on relevant activities, and (ii) in respect of which allowances are made under Part 9 or Chapter 2 of Part 24." (b) Any findings on any material issue of fact made for the purposes of the above decision.		

FOI-0042-2024	Member of the Public	14 August 2024 I request the following information which is non-personal in nature: • Marine Mammal Observer (MMO) reports related to works carried out under Marine Notice No. 12 of 2023 and all associated correspondence • MMO reports related to works carried out under Marine Notice No. 28 of 2023 and all associated correspondence • MMO reports related to works carried out under Marine Notice No. 37 of 2023 and all associated correspondence • MMO reports related to works carried out under Marine Notice No. 45 of 2023 and all associated correspondence • MMO reports related to works carried out under Marine Notice No. 57 of 2023 and all associated correspondence • MMO reports related to works carried out under Marine Notice No. 69 of 2023 and all associated correspondence • MMO reports related to works carried out under Marine Notice No. 74 of 2023 and all associated correspondence • MMO reports related to works carried out under Marine Notice No. 17 of 2024 and all associated correspondence • MMO reports related to works carried out under Marine Notice No. 19 of 2024 and all associated correspondence • MMO reports related to works carried out under Marine Notice No. 28 of 2024 and all associated correspondence	Withdrawn	03 September 2024

FOI-0041-2024	Journalist	13 August 2024 I would like to request any documents and communication between TikTok and Ossian Smyth and Patrick Neary in relation to Operation Clover in the period between 1 Jan 2024 and 30 April 2024.	Part-granted	09 September 2024
FOI-0040-2024	Journalist	12 August 2024 I am seeking Copies of the following esubmissions and attached documents: - CRU Workplan 2024 - Private wires – Guiding principles for policy formulation - Reply to MHLGR re Part 9 of the Planning and Development Bill - Inland Fisheries Ireland is seeking approval to sell properties @ (i) Ballybane and (ii) Cassagh and & retain the proceeds for property retaionalisation programme. - Letter to the Tánaiste and Minister for Defence. - Energy prices – update on recent price reduction and market monitoring trends	(a) Part-Granted (b) Refused (c) Granted (d) Part Granted (e) Granted (f) Part Granted	(a) 27 September 2024 (b) 30 September 2024 (c) 04 September 2024 (d) 10 September 2024 (e) 09 September 2024 (f) 21 August 2024

FOI-0039-2024	Journalist	12 August 2024 I am seeking Copies of the following esubmissions and attached documents: - Introduction of a Traditional Homes Pilot Scheme by SEAI - Annual Report and Accounts for the National Oil Reserves Agency Limited (NORA) for the year ended 31 December 2023. - Decision sought – Consent for ComReg to retain 2023 income surplus - Eirgrid CEO remuneration - GNI Capital Commitment 2024 - Memo to Gov – Clean Air Strategy Progress Report - Cabinet Committee on the Economy and Investment – Large Energy Users / Data Centres	(a) Granted (b) Granted (c) Refused (d) Refused (e) Part-granted (f) Granted (g) Part-granted	(a) 07 October 2024 (b) 13 September 2024 (c) 30 September 2024 (d) 30 September 2024 (e) 06 September 2024 (f) 30 August 2024 (g) 05 September 2024

FOI-0038-2024	Member of the Public	08 August 2024 On behalf of Kilcully and Ballincrokig Residents Association I request the completion of the following Freedom of Information Request. Documents would be appreciated in soft copy. Note: Records includes minutes, work notes, emails, memos, project plan, project schedules, texts, tables, summary documents, press releases and any other relevant records The FOI refers to Kilcully and Upper Glanmire - both are areas on the North Side of Cork City and are within Cork City Councils Area. All roads listed are also on the Northside of Cork City and lie in the Kilcully or Ballincrokig townlands. 1. Kilcully Pedestrianisation Project - Financial Records i. Records to show allocation of funding for this project. ii. Records to show allocation of funding to compulsory purchase necessary for this project. iii. Records to show applications for financing of this Project. iv. Records to show drawdown schedule for financing of this Project. v. Records to show drawdown completed for financing of this Project. vi. Any communication to the Council or councillor's or press releases regarding scheduling of this project. 2.Upper Glanmire Pedestrianisation Project - Financial Records i. Records to show allocation of funding for this project.	Withdrawn	05 September 2024

		ii. Records to show allocation of funding to compulsory purchase necessary for this project. iii. Records to show applications for financing of this Project. iv. Records to show drawdown schedule for financing of this Project. v. Records to show drawdown completed for financing of this Project. vi. Any communication to the Council or councillor's or press releases regarding scheduling of this project. a. 3. Road Safety - Whitechurch Road / Old Whitechurch Road/ Carrignavar Road / Ballinahine Road b. Records to show allocation of funding for this project. c. Records to show allocation of funding to compulsory purchase necessary for this project. d. Records to show applications for financing of this Project. e. Records to show drawdown schedule for financing of this Project. f. Records to show drawdown completed for financing of this Project. g. Any communication to the Council or councillor's or press releases regarding scheduling of this project.		

FOI-0037-2024	Journalist	07 August 2024 1. We request to see all records related to meetings and follow-up emails between private landowners and DECC elected representatives/officials about the potential involvement of those landowners in meeting Target 3's '30 by 30' aims. We request to see all types of files related to those meetings since December 2022 when the Global Biodiversity Framework was agreed. 2. We request to receive records related to online or in-person meetings since the start of December 2022 during which the government discussed with other non-landowning parties about the role they could play in meeting Target 3's '30 by 30' aims. We also request to see all records of any follow-up messages between DECC officials/elected representatives and those parties. 3. We request records of any DECC or DECC-commissioned assessments of the grounds of the properties occupied by the department to work out the area and percentage of those lands that are effectively being conserved to the benefit of the natural world. We request to see any records since December 2022 of considerations by Ministers and/or officials to undertake such assessment work. We request to see any records of considerations by Ministers and/or officials to boost nature conservation on department-owned land. 4. We request to see records of assessments made by DECC employees and DECC-commissioned outside parties of the proportion and percentage of land and marine areas across the country that already meet the 30 by 30 goal. 5. We request to see records of DECC or DECC-commissioned assessments of the proportion and percentage of land and marine areas across the country that could in the future meet the 30 by 30 goal.	Withdrawn	20 August 2024

FOI-0036-2024	Member of the Public	06 August 2024 On July 23 Minister Ryan told RTE's Drivetime that he had met with data centre operators and "Irish companies which build these" Data centres. Could I please have records associated with those meetings from 2024?	Part-granted	03 September 2024
FOI-0035-2024	Member of the Public	12 August 2024 Confirms that requests sought relate to only one suspected case of possible fraud as report in the 2022 Appropriation Accounts	Refused	21 August 2024
FOI-0034-2024	Member of the Public	06 August 2024 1. All Credit Card Statements for December 2023, January 2024, and June 2024 2. All Bank Account Statements for December 2023, January 2024, and June 2024	Granted	06 September 2024
FOI-0033-2024	Member of the Public	02 August 2024 Please examine the records of Minister Bobby Molloy and all Department records where 'taxi' and 'taxi deregulation' are mentioned in the years 1997 to 2002 and I would be obliged if you would forward copies to me.	Transferred	15 August 2024
FOI-0032-2024	Oireachtas/Public Representative	01 August 2024 Please release all information about any weather modification that may have taken place on the island of Ireland.	Transferred	01 August 2024

FOI-0031-2024	Journalist	01 August 2024 A list of esubmissions submitted to the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications through the e-submissions channel. I wish for my request to cover the period from 01-07-2024 - 31-07-2024.	Granted	09 August 2024
FOI-0030-2024	Journalist	01 August 2024 Copy of results and any associated reports into the most recent stress test of critical infrastructure in the energy sector in Ireland against man-made threats which was carried out by the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications in association with energy operators and the Department of Defence and which have been shared with the European Commission.	Refused	04 September 2024
FOI-0029-2024	Journalist	30 July 2024 Emails, meeting minutes, records of calls, briefings, memos and other available correspondence relating to the meeting held between Niall Matthews, Lakeland Dairies chairperson, and Eamon Ryan, Minister at the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications, at his Dáil office. The lobbying register entry shows the meeting took place between 1 January and 30 April 2024, and was published on the Lobbying.ie register on 20 May 2024. The subject of the meeting was to 'Provide information on the work being carried out by farmers to protect water quality and inform Government of the importance of retaining the Nitrates Derogation for the national and local economy'.	Granted	27 August 2024

FOI-0028-2024	Member of the Public	30 July 2024 Records held by DECC which relate to workforce plans/workforce planning for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in the date range 1st March 2023 to 28 April 2023	Refused	09 September 2024
FOI-0027-2024	Journalist	29 July 2024 a copy of any correspondence between the department and the OPW with regard to maintenance/snag issues associated with staff of DECC moving into the Tom Johnson House building.	Part-granted	23 August 2024
FOI-0026-2024	Member of the Public	26 July 2024 As of 26 July 2024, The number of WTE staff by grade and gender that are employed by the Department of Environment, Climate and Communications in tabular form	Granted	21 August 2024

FOI-0025-2024	Member of the Public	25 July 2024 • Marine Mammal Observer (MMO) reports related to survey works carried out under Marine Notice No. 46 of 2023 (https://www.gov.ie/pdf/?file=https://assets.gov.ie/288155/70d75eee-f343-40ae-8bbb-d11df519cbee.pdf#page=null) and all associated correspondence • MMO reports related to survey works carried out under Marine Notice No. 47 of 2023 (https://www.gov.ie/pdf/?file=https://assets.gov.ie/273167/6308471d-f7c6-4405-8eca-ac28aa86b832.pdf#page=null) and all associated correspondence • MMO reports related to survey works carried out under Marine Notice No. 54 of 2023 (https://www.gov.ie/pdf/?file=https://assets.gov.ie/267516/afff1a9c-64db-4fd9-ace3-2afe317b423d.pdf#page=null) and all associated correspondence	Refused	01 August 2024
FOI-0024-2024	Member of the Public	17 July 2024 Under the Public Sector Cyber Security Baseline Standards (Revision 1 November 2022) public bodies are mandated to have in place a Physical and Environmental Security Access Control Policy (section 1.6.1), and Access Control Procedures which outline classification of systems. (section 1.8.1) Under the FOI 2014 can I please request a digital copy of NSCS's Cyber Security Governance Policy/Processes (or DECC equivalent policy/process where they apply to NCSC) where it relates to classification of systems and environments, and/or vetting requirements for access. Please note, as outlined in my original request, I do not seek the details of specific systems or individuals – I am interested in Information Security and Personnel Security safeguards that are in place within the NCSC.	Refused	08 August 2024

FOI-0023-2024	Journalist	16 July 2024 The Minister's diary covering February 2023 to June 2024	Refused	01 August 2024
FOI-0022-2024	Journalist	16 July 2024 All emails, correspondence, briefing notes, memos and minutes held relating to a meeting between Dungarvan and West Waterford Chamber and Minister Eamon Ryan over maritime boundaries held at a time between May 1 and July 15th. Amendment to request received on 16 July 2024 the meeting was held on June 1, as per this lobbying return: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/112265/dungarvan--west-waterford-chamber.	Granted	01 August 2024
FOI-0020-2024	Journalist	10 July 2024 • Records prepared by the Finance Section of the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications, in relation to incoming payments by Government Departments and other state and semi-state bodies in 2024 regarding the Climate Action Fund, to offset emissions from air travel which took place in 2023. • Records prepared by the Finance Section of the Department of Environment, Climate and Communications and delivered to the Department of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform, in relation to payments from Government Departments and other state and semi-state bodies in relation the Climate Action Fund to offset emissions from air travel which took place in 2022.	Granted	01 August 2024
FOI-0019-2024	Member of the Public	01 July 2024 Asking for details of these flights.	Refused	29 July 2024

FOI-0018-2024	Journalist	01 July 2024 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 01-06-2024 - 30-06-2024.	Granted	09 August 2024
FOI-0017-2024	Oireachtas/Public Representative	27 June 2024 All correspondence between the Department of the Environment, Climate & Communications and the Office of the Ceann Comhairle in relation to the following parliamentary question "To ask the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications if he will support a ban on fossil fuel advertising as advocated by the UN Secretary-General and if he will make a statement on the matter", which was submitted by Paul Murphy TD on 21/6/2024 and disallowed by the Ceann Comhairle.	Refused	09 August 2024
FOI-0016-2024	Member of the Public	27 June 2024 1. Any draft copies of the ObSERVE 2 (https://www.marei.ie/project/observe-ii/) Report 2. Any associated data related to the ObSERVE II Study 3. Any GIS data associated with the ObSERVE II Study	Part-granted	01 August 2024

FOI-0015-2024	Journalist	26 June 2024 A copy of any letters of support or opposition or other representations received by Minister Ryan's office with regard to public comments about social media abuse and/or personal attacks by Ryanair. If there are a large number of such records, I am happy to take a sample of around 20 to 30 along with an estimate of how many were received.	Withdrawn	27 June 2024
FOI-0014-2024	Journalist	24 June 2024 1. Minutes of the meetings of the Mobile and Broadband Taskforce (MBBT) since the November 2023 meeting. 2. The latest work-plan of the MBBT 3. Records of presentations (including slides and presentation notes) made to the MBBT, in relation to the Gigabit Infrastructure Act, at meetings in 2023 and 2024.	Part-granted	22 July 2024
FOI-0013-2024	Business / Interest Group	24 June 2024 1. Any draft copies of the ObSERVE II report, 2. Any associated data related to the ObSERVE II study, 3. Any GIS data associated with the ObSERVE II study.	Part-granted	01 August 2024

FOI-0012-2024	Member of the Public	21 June 2024 Records and correspondence from within the Department and correspondence with the SEAI relating to the SEAI Energy In Ireland 2023 report (attached) which was published in December 2023. To aid the search for relevant records, I would especially like to include Paul Kenny's records in the search and the section of DECC that has responsibility for transmission of electricity in and out of Ireland, and the carbon intensity of electricity.	Part-granted	18 July 2024
FOI-0011-2024	Member of the Public	21 June 2024 Records relating to the notes prepared for the Minister of State Ossian Smyth and any officials from DECC for their appearance at the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Environment and Climate Action on 23 January for a discussion on large energy users rebalancing subvention.	Part-granted	17 July 2024
FOI-0010-2024	Business / Interest Group	21 June 2024 Any and all correspondence, meeting notes/minutes, between Minister Eamon Ryan, John Gallagher, and Lumcloon Energy between 1/1/2024 and 21/6/2024.	Refused	18 July 2024
FOI-0009-2024	Journalist	21 June 2024 Any communication between the NCSC and the Israeli IT security company Dream Security and its representatives. This request is meant to cover letters, e-mails, etc. in a time frame from January 1, 2023 until the present.	Refused	22 July 2024

FOI-0008-2024	Journalist	17 June 2024 To cover the period 1 September 2023 -present: All records related to this lobbying event (excluding correspondence about setting up any meetings) such as minutes, meeting notes, transcripts of virtual meetings, briefing papers or copies of presentations; Records of any follow-up action taken on the specific issues raised in the above lobbying incidents (e.g. correspondence with the lobbying entity, minutes of follow-up meetings, any internal reports, memos, briefings, assessments, etc.)	Refused	03 July 2024
FOI-0007-2024	Member of the Public	14 June 2024 …….1. Certification to clear the site surrounding the building 2. Current intended use for the property 3. Any request/ application to change the current intended use of the property -to structure or curtilage	Transferred	17 June 2024

FOI-0006-2024	Member of the Public	13 June 2024 • MMO reports related to survey works carried out under Marine Notice No. 46 of 2023 (https://www.gov.ie/pdf/?file=https://assets.gov.ie/288155/70d75eee-f343-40ae-8bbb-d11df519cbee.pdf#page=null) • MMO reports related to survey works carried out under Marine Notice No. 47 of 2023 (https://www.gov.ie/pdf/?file=https://assets.gov.ie/273167/6308471d-f7c6-4405-8eca-ac28aa86b832.pdf#page=null) • MMO reports related to survey works carried out under Marine Notice No. 54 of 2023 (https://www.gov.ie/pdf/?file=https://assets.gov.ie/267516/afff1a9c-64db-4fd9-ace3-2afe317b423d.pdf#page=null)	Withdrawn	11 July 2024
FOI-0005-2024	Journalist	07 June 2024 1. Correspondence held by the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications between the Irish Waste Management Association and the Department, its Ministers and/or senior officials in relation to the Deposit Return Scheme, since January 1 2020. 2. Minutes, briefing notes and other records held by the Department relating to meetings held with the Irish Waste Management Association and the Department, its Ministers and/or senior officials in relation to the Deposit Return Scheme, since January 1 2020.	Part-granted	03 July 2024
FOI-0004-2024	Member of the Public	04 June 2024 Access to various submissions to the draft 2019 wind energy development guidelines, specifically those made by the following; MAS Environmental, the Institute of Acoustics, Wind Energy Ireland, the Environmental Protection Agency, the Office of Planning Regulator, Eirgrid, CRU, any and all local authorities.	Transferred	04 June 2024

FOI-0003-2024	Member of the Public	04 June 2024 I request access to all records related to the joint submission received in February 2020 that identified over 300 inaccuracies in the draft 2019 wind energy development guidelines for noise (as attached). 1. I would expect such records to include but not limited to communication email, letters, briefing notes & reports. 2. I am seeking access to the outcomes of receiving the joint submission.	Transferred	04 June 2024
FOI-0002-2024	Business / Interest Group	04 June 2024 1. All written and e-mail correspondence, documents, files, letters, notes and briefings between Geoscience Regulation Office (GSRO}, its evaluation team, the Minister for the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications (DECC) and Earth Source Ltd, from 2017 to 1 June 2024, relating to the Prospecting Competition, Application and Licence M.A. 345/1, Prospecting Licence Areas (PLAs} 2429, 2430, 2830 and 3834, including the process of evaluation & the decisions made by the evaluation team, all minutes of any meetings, all material presented, any briefing material & documents. 2. All-application forms required by Earth Source Ltd for the application for Screening 1 & 2 which also include all EIA reports and EIA assessments within the PLAs, all maps including those showing all Zones of Influence/Exclusions and the necessary spatial dimensions of Influence/Extension zones for each Natura 2000 site, SACs, SPAs, NHA, pNHAs, and those sites outside the PLAs within 15km distance, protected geological sites, all recorded, unrecorded, and listed monuments and all domestic and community wells/springs 3. The Aarhus Screening Forms and the Aarhus Decisions 4. All work programs for the next 6 years, COPs and mitigation measures	Part-granted	01 August 2024

		5. Letter to Successful Tenderer (Earth Source Ltd), Letter of Acceptance by Earth Source Ltd, Letter of Agreement & Letter of Contract and Conditions 6. The name, address, responsibilities and starting date of Earh Source Ltd secretary and any other employees, their responsibilities and expertise 7. The name and address of the manager and/or supervisor in Ireland of the licenced M.A. 345/1 prospecting exploration work, their technical qualification and experiences, and those of the contracted personnel who will carry out the prospecting work, with start date of work commencement 8. Earth Source ltd Constitution 9. Certificate of Incorporation (Ireland) for Earth Source Ltd 10. Earth Source Ltd financial statement for 2022 and thereafter, the company's financial viability, commitment to expenditure requirements and agreement with standard licence terms, insurance against third party claims or environmental damage, with the Minister indemnified 11. Financial statements accounting for the next 6 years of prospecting expenditures; and name of institution to cover expenditures 12. List of competitors for Prospecting Licence Areas (PLAs) 2429, 2430, 28230, 2834 in 2022/23; the process of assessment of competitors and evaluation decision made by GSRO's evaluation team 13. All correspondence by GSRO to Wicklow, Kildare and Leixlip Garda stations, and Wicklow and Kildare county councils in 2023 and thereafter relating to the notification to the public regarding Earth Source ltd prospecting application M.A. 345/1, 2023		

FOI-0001-2024	Journalist	04 June 2024 A list of esubmissions submitted to the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications through the e-submissions channel. I wish for my request to cover the period from 01-05-2024 - 31-05-2024.	Granted	09 August 2024
FOI2024113	Member of the Public	29 May 2024 An meid airgead a caitheadh ar earraí, ar sheirbhísí, ar bia nó ar eile ó na comhlachtaí seo a leanas: AXA Insurance, Puma, Carrefour, Caltex, Siemens, Hewlett Packard, Chevron, RE/MAX, Texaco, AHAVA, sodastream, McDonalds, Domino's, Burger King, Papa John's, Wix. Ba mhaith liom an t-eolas seo a fháil ón tréimhse 1 Eanáir 2024 - 25 Bealtaine 2024. Ba mhaith liom an t-eolas caiteachais airgid a fháil mar scarbhileog mhiondealaithe de réir na gcomhlachtaí. Muna bhfuil aon airgead ar bith íoctha chun comhlachta ar bith ar an an liosta thuas, ba maith liom ráiteas a dheimhníonn é sin mar PDF i nGaeilge.		

FOI2024112	Journalist	30 May 2024 1) Copies of complaints from the public received in relation to the Re-Turn scheme between April 1, 2024 and the current date 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 April 1, 2024 and the current date, including all correspondence received from Re-turn CEO Ciaran Foley	Part-granted	28 June 2024
FOI2024111	Member of the Public	29 May 2024 Records in relation to the meeting between Eamon Ryan TD and Amazon Web Services, as seen here. 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. I also request any letters, emails, text messages, WhatsApp messages, call logs, memos, notes, reports, draft reports and any other relevant records that were created, sent or received by the Department in relation to the above return.	Part-granted	28 June 2024

FOI2024110	Journalist	27 May 2024 Copies of email correspondence/memoranda between Principal Officers in DECC's environmental policy unit and senior officials within MARA concerning staffing levels at MARA, between February 1 2024 and the present date	Part-granted	28 June 2024
FOI2024109	Journalist	24 May 2024 TikTok has reported meeting a number of times with Ossian Smyth and/or Patrick Neary between 1 January and 30 April. Request access to the following records/details: – all paper and digital correspondence (emails, letters, texts, WhatsApp's, faxes) between the department and TikTok between 1 January and 30 April 2024 – all briefing material prepared by officials ahead of any meetings between the parties for the same time period – minutes for such meetings – records of all material presented at such meetings	Part-granted	19 June 2024
FOI2024108	Journalist	24 May 2024 Emails and submissions to the Department by Vulcan Consulting on behalf of Amazon regarding Ireland's presidency of the D9+ group, as detailed on the lobbying register https://www.lobbying.ie/return/107813/vulcan-consulting-limited	Withdrawn	31 May 2024

FOI2024107	Journalist	23 May 2024 Briefing notes, email correspondence, letters and meeting minutes in relation to a meeting between TikTok and Minister Smyth, as detailed on the lobbying register https://www.lobbying.ie/return/107700/tiktok	Part-granted	19 June 2024
FOI2024106	Journalist	23 May 2024 Access to correspondence between TikTok and Minister Ossian Smyth during 2024 or minutes of any meetings between them.	Part-granted	19 June 2024
FOI2024105	Journalist	22 May 2024 Dated between December 1, 2023, and the date of this request: Records of correspondence, letters, emails, text messages, reports, submissions and memos, meetings, meeting minutes, and the like, between officials ranked at Assistant Secretary Level or above, the Minister's office/Minister of State's office and SSE regarding planning reforms, energy security, renewable energy, and national climate targets. The following may be of assistance when processing this request: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/111589/sse-plc; and, https://www.lobbying.ie/return/111755/sse-plc	(a)Part-granted (b)Part-granted	(a) 10 July 2024 (b) 10 July 2024
FOI2024104	Journalist	23 May 2024 Records of correspondence, reports and memos between the Minister's office an the Irish Medical Organisation regarding the impact of climate change on the health needs of the population and the sustainable delivery of healthcare services. https://www.lobbying.ie/return/110523/irish-medical-organisation	Granted	04 July 2024

FOI2024103	Member of the Public	21 May 2024 The EIS that is part of the Foreshore Lease application with reference number FS006361. It is referenced on page 6 of the application form available here: https://www.gov.ie/en/foreshore-notice/3590d-fuinneamh-sceirde-teoranta/.	Part-granted	11 July 2024
FOI2024102	Member of the Public	21 May 2024 Seeking the release of the environmental assessment produced by Ove Arup & Partners as listed in the attached screenshot.	Part-granted	30 May 2024
FOI2024101	Journalist	20 May 2024 The following to cover the period 1 September 2023 -present: • All records related to this lobbying event (excluding correspondence about setting up any meetings) such as letters, minutes, meeting notes, transcripts of virtual meetings, briefing papers or copies of presentations • Records of any follow-up action taken on the specific issues raised in the meeting (e.g. correspondence with the lobbying entity, minutes of follow-up meetings, any internal reports, memos, briefings, assessments, etc.)	Part-granted	21 June 2024
FOI2024100	Journalist	16 May 2024 Access to any correspondence between the Irish Petrol Retailers Association and Minister Ryan in relation to the deposit return scheme in 2024.	Part-granted	28 May 2024

FOI202499	Member of the Public	02 May 2024 I request all records related to the review of the MSS scheme and the outcome and recommendations. Please process my FOI request specific to the outcome of the review of the that was mentioned. Exact wording from received email below. "a mid-scheme review was to be undertaken to asses a number of factors, including the operation of and effectiveness of the scheme. This review was recently undertaken and recommendations are currently being prepared for government approval. It is expected that the eligibility for domestic Solar PV will be updated and expanded with the amendments made to the existing scheme for the start of 2024." I would like to know the process undertaken as part of this review. The group/groups involved in the review and also the recommendations from the review. Please also let me know when these recommendations were sent for government approval.		
FOI202498	Journalist	14 May 2024 Email sent by LM Ericsson Ltd to Richard Browne, regarding the EU toolbox and radio access, as referenced on the lobbying register: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/109851/lm-ericsson-limited. The emails were sent between 1 Jan and 30 Apr 2024.	Refused	27 May 2024

FOI202497	Journalist	14 May 2024 – all paper and digital correspondence (emails, letters, texts, WhatsApp's, faxes) between the department and L.M. Ericsson Ltd. between 1 January and 30 April 2024 – all briefing material prepared by officials ahead of the April 19 roundtable between the parties – minutes for the April 19 roundtable – records of all material presented at the roundtable	Transferred	15 May 2024
FOI202496	Member of the Public	14 May 2024 Records of all fixed charge penalty notices issued for the contravention of the Conservation of Coarse Fish Bye-Law No. 806 (2006) in the following seven WRBD lakes located within Special Areas of Conservation for the year 2022; Loughs Corrib, Ballyquirke, Inagh, Shindilla, Derryclare, Aughrusbeg and Ross Lake (Moycullen)	Withdrawn	13 June 2024
FOI202495	Client	08 May 2024 1. A list of existing documents pertaining to the EU Regulation 2022/1854 in Ireland, and copies of such listed documents. 2. Preparatory documents such as, but not limited to, working drafts and internal communications associated with the Energy (Windfall Gains in the Energy Sector) (Temporary Solidarity Contribution) Act 2023. 3. Preparatory documents such as, but not limited to, working drafts and internal communications associated with the Energy (Windfall Gains in the Energy Sector) (Cap on Market Revenues) Act 2023.	Part-granted	11 July 2024

		4. Legal assessment report or technical reports regarding the EU Regulation 2022/1854 generally. 5. Documents regarding Ireland's views on the solidarity contribution and the revenue cap in the EU Regulation 2022/1854 in relation to its enactment in September and October 2022, specifically prior to the written procedure of 6 October 2022, including documents from the extraordinary council meeting on 30 September 2022, the meeting of the Committee of Permanent Representatives (COREPER) on 14 September 2022 and 28 September 2022, and meeting of the Council Working Party on Energy on 15 September 2022. 6. Documents regarding Ireland's views on the solidarity contribution and the revenue cap in relation to the subsequent national implementation. 7. Documents on discussions regarding the EU Regulation 2022/1854, more specifically: o Documents on discussions in Government. o Documents on discussions in Parliament. o Documents on discussions between the Government and Parliament. o Documents on discussions between the Government and the EU.		

FOI202494	Member of the Public	07 May 2024 *All correspondence between the Department and Kingspan, and/or its representatives or agents, in relation to a visit by Minister Eamon Ryan to Kingspan's headquarters in Kingscourt, Co Cavan, on January 8; *All internal departmental correspondence, briefing notes, reports or other internal correspondence relating to the visit; *All correspondence from Kingspan and/or its representatives or agents following the meeting.		
FOI202493	Journalist	07 May 2024 • all correspondence from IAB Ireland to Eamon Ryan (per the lobbying register here) raising concerns in respect of the draft European Data Protection Board (EDPB) Guidelines on Article 5(3) of the ePrivacy Directive • any response issued to IAB Ireland on the subject of the draft European Data Protection Board (EDPB) Guidelines on Article 5(3) of the ePrivacy Directive	Granted	22 May 2024
FOI202492	Member of the Public	07 May 2024 A copy of the Appendix to the Memorandum referenced in FoI 2024/6 and FoI 2022/272	Refused	05 June 2024

FOI202491	Journalist	01 May 2024 1. Any correspondence since January 1st 2024 between the Minister or the Department (at PO level or above) and the executive management or board of An Post on the matter of An Post's work as television licence fee collector and TV licence enforcement; 2. Any preparatory notes or reports for the Minister in that period on the same topic or minutes of any meetings with An Post on the TV licence; 3. Any updates or reports for the Minister or the Department from An Post on its trading position since January 1st 2024.	Refused	29 May 2024
FOI202490	Journalist	01 May 2024 List of esubmissions submitted to the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications through the e-submissions channel. I wish for my request to cover the period from 01-04-2024 - 30-04-2024.		
FOI202489	Journalist	29 April 2024 Copies of any records held referring or relating to the clarification issued by Minister Eamon Ryan that he sought and granted leave for Ireland to appeal a climate case as per the following newspaper article: https://www.independent.ie/irish-news/eamon-ryan-alters-statement-on-climate-case-says-he-didnt-initiate-move-against-swiss-grannies/a1244992305.html Searches of any mobile phones, relevant private email addresses and/or messaging services should be considered when processing this request.	Part-granted	28 May 2024

FOI202488	Member of the Public	25 April 2024 I request a copy of correspondence between Tobin's and G.S.I., between 2022 and 2024. • Have G.S.I. visit each of the 18 sites prior to making its submissions, • When did G.S.I. carry out the last inspection or investigations for caves at the sites, the surrounding areas between the Dough Mountain and Lough Melvin, prior to submitting a response to the developer of Lissinagroagh Wind Farm Project, • I request a copy of previous reports, water tests carried out into the condition of water courses in the bogs, local groundwater, Lattone River and Dooard River catchment of Lough Melvin and Lough McNean,	Withdrawn	26 April 2024
FOI202487	Journalist	25 April 2024 Any emails, notes, memos, briefings and/or records relating to a meeting held between Mark Foley, former chief executive of Eirgrid and Eamon Ryan between January 1st 2024 and April 24th 2024.	Refused	24 May 2024
FOI202486	Journalist	24 April 2024 All emails, briefing notes, memos, minutes, text messages, WhatsApp messages over ReTurn advising Irish businesses to set up a Northern Irish entity to avoid having to pay Deposit Return Scheme costs.	Part-granted	17 May 2024

FOI202485	Business / Interest Group	24 April 2024 Seeking records including information of the following regarding the SEAI (sustainable energy authority of Ireland) motor fuel comparison: Records containing information as to communications between the Minister for Transport Eamon Ryan and his department both internally and external (including with European counterparts) communications regarding the Fuel Price Comparison referenced in the Alternative Fuels Infrastructure Directive/Regulations and further detailed in S.I no. 703 of 2022 and including between the department and the SEAI. These records would have been collected over the preceding 5 years.	Transferred	26 April 2024
FOI202483	Member of the Public	23 April 2024 The minutes of all meetings of all the sub groups as noted in the Moving Together A Strategic Approach to the Improved Efficiency of the Transport System in Ireland report. Any correspondence between Amazon and the Minister regarding the work or recommendations of these groups from January 2023 to present. Any correspondence between IBEC and the Minister regarding the work or recommendations of these groups from January 2023 to present.	Transferred	24 April 2024

FOI202482	Business / Interest Group	19 April 2024 Seeking records including information of the following regarding the Return Scheme: Records containing information as to the number of vehicles used by the Return Scheme to collect the recyclable waste across the country. The number of hours each day each vehicle is on the road. And whether these vehicles are electric (if so how are they charged?), petrol, diesel or hybrid vehicles. Can records also be sought showing communications as to where the money that is not collected by the public will go. These records would have been collected over the preceding 3 years.	Part-granted	09 May 2024
FOI202481	Member of the Public	09 May 2024 All related records for the past five years relating to the Irish government carrying out or engaging in using weather modifications techniques and practices without the knowledge of the population. Weather modifications which include ANY and ALL practices such as: Spraying substances and chemicals in our skies. Stratospheric aerosol injections. Cloud seeding.	Refused	28 May 2024

FOI202480	Member of the Public	16 April 2024 1. National submarine cable resilience plan and any related records on work done to develop this plan. This plan is a recommendation of the International Cable Protection Committee 2. Does Ireland maintain a Fishing Aggregate Device registry (FAD Registry) as recommended by the ICPC? If so, I would like to have any records on how it is updated and who has access to it, and under what circumstances. 3. Records on the minimum default separation for cables and the single point of contact (SPOC) for cable damage issues. Records of how to contact this SPOC. 4. Records of submarine cable cuts in Irish waters including the EEZ since 2000. 5. A list of all landed and operational submarine cables in Ireland, including their capacity and landing point.	Refused	14 May 2024
FOI202479	Journalist	15 April 2024 The most recently updated Department Brief for an incoming Minister, either signed off and delivered to a new senior Minister or Minister of state following the 2024 April reshuffle, or a draft prepared for a possible change of Minister but never delivered as the Minister wasn't changed.	Refused	03 May 2024

FOI202478	Member of the Public	15 April 2024 The information I request concern a mediation and decision making company called Raise a Concern Ltd. This company is the agreed arbitrator to investigate allegations of bullying in all Departments of the civil service. It is agreed between the CS and the unions. I am requesting information since 2015 if available. The information I request is the final adjudication page ie if the allegation was upheld and the respondent found guilty of bullying. I do not want the names of the parties just the result, allegations upheld or not.	Refused	30 April 2024
FOI202477	Member of the Public	12 April 2024 • Tobin's request for a submission for inclusion in the Environmental Impact Assessment Report on Lissinagroagh Wind Farm. • Documentation with the dates you visited the site of Lissinagroagh Wind Farm prior to making the submission, • The Department of Environment, Climate and Communications, submission to the Environmental Impact Assessment Report on Lissinagroagh Wind Farm.	Withdrawn	15 April 2024
FOI202476	Member of the Public	12 April 2024 Records relating to commercial jet travel of the Minister from June 2020 to date. By this I mean, any invoices or booking confirmations for commercial jet travel undertaken by the Minister for the time period requested.	Granted	28 May 2024

FOI202475	Member of the Public	10 April 2024 Provide written documentation of correspondence between Minister of State Jack Chambers/and or office and the Attorney General's office specifically relating to a query concerning the operation of the An Post Superannuation Scheme from August 2023-January 2024.	Refused	09 May 2024
FOI202474	Member of the Public	09 April 2024 In connection with State aid considerations and approval by the European Commission under Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union and the European Commission's Guidelines on State Aid for Climate, Environmental Protection and Energy 2022 (the "Legislation") in respect of the following Temporary Emergency Generation ("TEG") procurements: TEG1 – Gas • North Wall ESB: 191 MW • Huntstown Energia: 50 MW TEG2 – Distillate • Shannonbridge ESB: 262 MW • Tarbert SSE: 150 MW TEG – Retention of Moneypoint Units 820 MW • MP1 • MP2 • MP3 together (the "TEG Procurements"). Please provide copies of the following information held that were created or received by the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications ("DECC") on and from 1 January 2021, relating to considerations of compliance of the TEG Procurements with the Legislation in respect of State aid by DECC and/or the European Commission and any notifications by DECC to the European Commission under the Legislation, specifically: (a) any correspondence, such as email and letter exchanges, as between DECC and the European Commission in respect of the	Part-granted	20 June 2024

		TEG Procurements; (b) any meeting invitations, agendas, presentations or minutes of meetings in which decisions and/or recommendations at paragraph (a) were taken; (c) any documentation generated by, or received by, DECC relating to the securing of the delivery of TEG and its compliance (or otherwise) with: a. EU state aid rules; b. Article 16(2) of Regulation EU 2019/941; and c. Irish legislation such as section 6 of the Eirgrid, Electricity and Turf (Amendment) Act 2022.		
FOI202473	Staff	09 April 2024 1. The total number of applicants for most recent Internal Competition for Promotion to AP SHRN 01/24 2. The total number of applicants for most recent Internal Competition for Promotion to AP SHRN 01/24 who were called for interview 3. Signed and dated copy of Ministerial Order appointing HEO staff from Dept of Housing transferring into HEO posts in Dept Environment, Climate and Communication as HEO's in Dept of Environment, Climate and Communications 4. The number of HEO's in Dept of Housing who transferred into Dept of Environment, Climate and Communications prior to 1st February 2024 5. The number of HEO's in Dept of Housing who transferred into Dept of Environment, Climate and Communications prior to 1st February 2024 who applied for the most recent Internal AP Competition SHRN 01/24 6. The number of HEO's in Dept of Housing who transferred into Dept of Environment, Climate and Communications prior to 1st February 2024 who were called for interview for the most recent Internal AP Competition SHRN 01/24	Part-granted	07 May 2024

		7. The number of HEO's in Dept of Housing who transferred into Dept of Environment, Climate and Communications after 1st February 2024 8. The number of HEO's in Dept of Housing who transferred into Dept of Environment, Climate and Communications after 1st February 2024 who applied for the most recent Internal AP Competition SHRN 01/24 9. The number of HEO's in Dept of Housing who transferred into Dept of Environment, Climate and Communications after 1st February 2024 who were called for interview for the most recent Internal AP Competition SHRN 01/24 10. The number of HEO's in Dept of Environment, Climate and Communication who applied for the most recent Internal AP Competition SHRN 01/24 (do not include any HEO's who transferred into DECC from Dept. Housing in this figure) 11. The number of HEO's in Dept of Environment, Climate and Communication who were called for interview for the most recent Internal AP Competition SHRN 01/24 (do not include any HEO's who transferred into DECC from Dept. Housing in this figure) 12. Copy of all documents held by HR pertaining to the most recent Internal Competition for Promotion to AP SHRN 01/24 (do not include any HEO's personal SHRN 01/24 application forms) 13. Copy of all documents drafted, issued and received by HR or sent to HR between HR and HR in Dept Housing and HEO's in Dept Environment, Climate and Communications who transferred into said Dept from Dept. Housing who applied for the most recent Internal AP Competition SHRN 01/24 (do not include any HEO's personal SHRN 01/24 application forms)		

FOI202472	Journalist	09 April 2024 1. Correspondence held by the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications from and to members of the public, businesses, trade organisations and/or community and environmental organisations in relation to the Deposit Return Scheme, since February 1 2024. 2. Correspondence held by the Department between Minister Ossian Smyth and/or Minister Eamon Ryan and/or Re-turn, the operators of the Deposit Return Scheme, since February 1 2024.	Part-granted	08 May 2024
FOI202471	Member of the Public	09 April 2024 1) Including Mr Ryan, how many officials attended COP28? 2) Total travel and subsistence costs involved in those persons attending COP28? 3) Copy of statements issued by Mr Ryan and or his officials during that visit, or otherwise in relation to COP28 within a three weeks following? 4) Copy of any formal information, briefings etc received by Mr Ryan and or his officials at COP28 or directly relevant to COP28 on his return to Ireland.	Granted	08 May 2024

FOI202470	Journalist	08 April 2024 1) Copies of complaints from the public received in relation to the Re-Turn scheme since its introduction on February 1, 2024 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 since its introduction 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 since its introduction in February 2024 4) Copies of correspondence between Department officials and Teneo regarding the Re-Turn scheme since its introduction	Part-granted	07 May 2024
FOI202469	Journalist	08 April 2024 Any complaints received concerning the deposit return scheme from 01/02/2024 to date	Part-granted	29 April 2024
FOI202468	Journalist	08 April 2024 Please find below a revised description of the records in my FOI request as suggested: 1. Any correspondence by post or email, minutes of meetings, remote meetings, telephone calls, text messages between the Department's Energy division and Equinor group companies or their agents during the year 2021, concerning the permitting of offshore energy projects, including: foreshore licences, maritime area consents, grid connection, and planning permission. 2. Any correspondence by post or email, minutes of meetings, remote meetings, telephone calls, text messages between Minister Eamon Ryan's office and Equinor group	Part-granted	02 May 2024

		companies or their agents during the year 2021, concerning the permitting of offshore energy projects, including: foreshore licences, maritime area consents, grid connection, and planning permission. 3. Any correspondence by post or email, minutes of meetings, remote meetings, telephone calls, text messages between the office of the Department's Secretary General and Equinor group companies or their agents during the year 2021, concerning the permitting of offshore energy projects, including: foreshore licences, maritime area consents, grid connection, and planning permission. 4. Any internal correspondence, memos, emails, minutes of meetings remote meetings, telephone calls, text messages; within the Department's Energy division, Minister Eamon Ryan's office, the office of the Department's Secretary General, or between them; concerning Equinor group companies during the year 2021. 5. Any correspondence by post or email, minutes of meetings, remote meetings, telephone calls, text messages between: the Department's Energy division, or Minister Eamon Ryan's office, or the office of the Department's Secretary General; and the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage; concerning Equinor group companies during the year 2021.		

FOI202467	Oireachtas/Public Representative	04 April 2024 The document was submitted from EirGrid to the Department regarding their views on data centre policy in Ireland – specifically regarding demand. This was referenced to by the CEO of EirGrid during an Oireachtas Environment and Climate Action committee session held on Tuesday the 30th of January, 2024; https://www.oireachtas.ie/en/debates/debate/joint_committee_on_environment_and_climate_action/2024-01-30/speech/2/ Clarification received 04/04/2024 I can confirm that it the information highlighted which I am looking for. "We have provided our views to the Government on this matter" (Quote taken from transcript.)	Refused	02 May 2024
FOI202466	Journalist	03 April 2024 All correspondence between Minister Ossian Smyth and Re-Turn (the firm managing the deposit return scheme) between 01 January 2024 to current date All correspondence between Minister Ossian Smyth and staff at the Department of the Environment about the deposit return scheme between 01 January 2024 to current date All briefing material prepared for Minister Ossian Smyth about the deposit return scheme between 01 January 2024 to current date	Part-granted	02 May 2024

FOI202465	Journalist	02 April 2024 An anonymised copy of any representations/complaints/correspondence received by the department relating to the deposit return scheme. If there is a particularly large number of such records, I am happy to accept a figure for the total number of complaints and a representative sample of between twenty and thirty.	Part-granted	24 April 2024
FOI202464	Member of the Public	02 April 2024 Access any record which assesses / recommends payment or refund (or recommends non-payment or non-refund) of education fees in respect of any single training / education course undertaken by a member of staff in your Department/ Office (including staff serving abroad) which cost more than €3,000 per annum in the years 2023 and 2024.		
FOI202463	Journalist	02 April 2024 A list of esubmissions submitted to the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications through the e-submissions channel. To cover the period from 01-03-2024 - 31-03-2024.		
FOI202462	Journalist	28 March 2024 All correspondence between the Department of the Environment's Climate Action and Energy Policy Unit and Primark (from the period 01 August 2023 to 30 September 2023) about microplastics	Refused	18 April 2024

FOI202461	Member of the Public	28 March 2024 A copy of the letter from eir (or Eircom limited) signed by the eir CEO Mr Oliver Loomes to Minister Eamon Ryan sent in September 2023.The letter is referenced in a Sunday Independent article: “Broadband provider Eir accuses regulator ComReg of ‘bias’ and ‘deficiencies’ in letter to Eamon Ryan” published on 24 March 2024. …….. Link to article: https://www.independent.ie/irish-news/broadband-provider-eir-accuses-regulator-comreg-of-bias-and-deficiencies-in-letter-to-eamon-ryan/a1568548048.html I also request: (1) follow-up letters and/or (2) emails relevant to or replying to the eir (or Eircom Limited) September 2023 letter.	Withdrawn	09 April 2024
FOI202460	Member of the Public	22 March 2024 1. All individuals selected for the Sustainable Development Goals National Stakeholder Forum Committee 2024 and their location. This information is not readily available to me on gov.ie. 2. List of all locations contacted by department that do not have adequate space for 150-200 odd people and break out rooms to facilitate national events. This seems to be an absolutely astounding statement, patently false and a lie. It could be held in a field if you wanted it to be.	Part-granted	23 April 2024
FOI202459	Journalist	21 March 2024 All email correspondence, letters and meeting minutes in relation to a meeting between TikTok and Richard Browne, regarding the NIS2 directive as referenced on the lobbying register: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/107853/tiktok. The meeting took place between 1 Jan and 13 Mar 2024.	Granted	08 May 2024

FOI202458	Journalist	20 March 2024 – all correspondence between the Department and Stormont officials about the deposit return scheme from 1 January 2024 to date – minutes of any meetings between these parties during the above time period – copies of all material presented at any meetings between these parties during the above time period – any briefing material presented to the Minister in advance of any meetings between these parties during the above time period.	Refused	04 April 2024
FOI202457	Journalist	20 March 2024 Any emails, notes, memos, briefings and/or records relating to a meeting held between Richard Browne and Tik Tok between January 1 and March 13 in relation to national cybersecurity, as per this lobbying return: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/107853/tiktok	Granted	08 May 2024
FOI202456	Member of the Public	14 March 2024 Details of all international locations visited by Minister Eamon Ryan for official purposes and the modes of transport used for each official trip for all official trips since he became Minister. The details of whether the mode of transport was commercial or if chartered/private.	Granted	28 May 2024

FOI202455	Member of the Public	13 March 2024 A copy of all interim and final research results, conclusions and statements submitted to the NSAI as a result of research commissioned by the GSI into the issue of defective concrete in Ireland.	Part-granted	12 April 2024
FOI202454	Member of the Public	12 March 2024 All copies of the cost to IFI for each Appropriate Assessment Screenings since 2019 to 2024.	Refused	04 April 2024
FOI202453	Member of the Public	08 March 2024 1. Please provide a copy of the agreement to extend the national postcode contract between Dept. of Comms & Capita t/a Eircode 2. Please provide a copy of the notice given by the Minister DECC to Capita t/a Eircode indicating his intention to extend the contract. IAW para 4.3 of the contract. 3. Please provide documents, notes, emails records of discussions between DECC & Capita t.a Eircode regarding extending the Postcode Contract.	Part-granted	10 April 2024
FOI202452	Journalist	06 March 2024 Emails, memo, texts, WhatsApps and letters between Department of the Environment, Climate Communications and Transport and the Department of Enterprise regarding data centres. I would also like this request to cover any record of correspondence between Minister Simon Coveney and Minister Eamon Ryan. I would like this request to cover the period between June 30, 2023 and the present day.	Refused	08 April 2024

FOI202451	Member of the Public	06 March 2024 Complete list of oil reserves and their respective quantities/capacities/contents, current and speculative that are within the territory of Ireland. Clarification received 13/03/2024 seeking records pertaining to NATURAL oil reserves in the State	Refused	15 April 2024
FOI202450	Member of the Public	04 March 2024 All records relating to the hire and use of commercial private jets as part of the Ministerial Air Transport Service from January 2022 to date. By this, I mean, any private jet travel hired by the Department in lieu of using the Learjet or any other Air Corps aircraft. Please include any invoices and details of these trips (cost, dates, locations & who was aboard). Finally, please also provide any communication (letters, emails, memos, WhatsApp/text messages) sent or received by the Department relating to the unavailability of the Learjet or any other Air Corps aircraft for the Ministerial Air Transport Service over the same period.	Refused	27 March 2024

FOI202449	Journalist	04 March 2024 • Copy of all documents, files, memos, letters, notes (hand-written or electronic), briefings and all information between officials in the Department of Climate, Environment and Communications, at the level of Principal Officer and above and the Minister for Climate, Environment and Communications and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regarding the plastic recycling in the period of 1st December 2021 and 29th February 2024; • Any e-mails, memos, letters or submissions and their attachments between officials in the Department of Climate, Environment and Communications at the level of Principal Officer and above regarding plastic recycling between December 2021 and February 2024 • Total number of Ireland's Packaging Recycling Rates and Packaging waste generation for 2022 and 2023. • A copy of any briefing documents, research papers, advisory papers, or explanatory documents on The Waste Action Plan for a Circular Economy (WAPCE) prepared for or by the Minister.	Refused	13 March 2024
FOI202448	Journalist	01 March 2024 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 01-02-2024 - 29-02-2024.		

FOI202447	Business / Interest Group	27 February 2024 (1) Not reverting to … or any other external financial expert to carry out an updated financial capability assessment based on the additional information provided by the Applicants; (2) Determining that the Loan Note did not satisfy the requirements under the Guidance and that ….. had not provided certainty of financial resources; (3) Determining that the potential additional raising ……. of debt being proposed by the Loan Note was insufficient to strengthen the balance sheet to the level required to meet the investment cover ratio of ……..: and (4) Determining that "The vagueness of this condition (being a reference to what the Financial Advisor calls the condition precedent of "due diligence" which the Financial Advisors asserts that the convertible loan note instrument which …….. is unusual and results in an uncertainty as to the ability of the Applicants to comply with the conditions precedent required to drawdown the funding". We also request any findings on any material issues of fact made by the Financial Advisor for the purposes of the said decisions.	Granted	27 March 2024
FOI202446	Business / Interest Group	27 February 2024 (1) All hard copy documents and electronically stored information held by the Department of Environment Climate and Communications (the "Department") created on or after 21 November 2022 and up to 19 May 2023 touching upon, concerning or relating to the Department's consideration of: (a) the redeemable secured convertible loan note provided to ……submitted to the Department; and	Refused	27 March 2024

		(b) the market announcement submitted to the Department in relation to an additional equity raise of ……..		
FOI202445	Business / Interest Group	27 February 2024 (1) All hard copy documents and electronically stored information held by the Department of the Environment Climate and Communications (the "Department"), touching upon, concerning or relating to the Department's processing and granting of the application …… to include but not limited to, the following: (a) All submissions made by the Licensee to the Department in respect of the extension application; (b) All requests for information issued by the Department to the Licensee in respect of the extension application; and (c) All assessments of the Licensee's submission(s) including, in particular the assessments of the Licensee's submissions against the criteria provided for in the document titled: "Financial Capability Assessment for Offshore Oil and Gas Exploration and Appraisal Applications | Guidance Document – August 2019", regardless of whether such assessments were carried out by the Department internally or by a third party contracted by the Department to do so.	Part-granted	27 March 2024
FOI202444	Business / Interest Group	27 February 2024 (1) All hard copy documents and electronically stored information held by the Department of the Environment Climate and Communications (the "Department"), touching upon, concerning or relating to the section of the "Financial Capacity assessment criteria" provided for in section 6 of the document titled: "Financial Capability Assessment for Offshore Oil and Gas Exploration and Appraisal Applications | Guidance Document – August 2019" (the "Guidance"), to include, but not limited to, the following:	Part-granted	18 June 2024

		(a) Any and all policy document, guidelines or similar considered in respect of the selection of the “Financial Capacity assessment criteria”. (b) Any discussions, proposals or decisions made in relation to the selection of the “Financial Capacity assessment criteria”. And (c) All internal and external communications relating the selection of the “Financial Capacity assessment criteria”.		
FOI202443	Member of the Public	27 February 2024 Please provide copies of the following information held that were created or received by the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications ("DECC") on and from 1 January 2021, relating to considerations of compliance of the TEG Procurements with the Legislation in respect of State aid by DECC and/or the European Commission and any notifications by DECC to the European Commission under the Legislation, specifically: (a) any correspondence, such as email and letter exchanges, as between DECC and the European Commission in respect of the TEG Procurements; (b) any meeting invitations, agendas, presentations or minutes of meetings in which decisions and/or recommendations at paragraph (a) were taken; (c) any analysis received by or generated by DECC which considers whether the securing of the delivery of temporary emergency generation is compliant with, or is to be carried out in compliance with, EU state aid rules; and (d) any analysis received by or generated by DECC which considers or analyses compliance with Article 16(2) of Regulation EU 2019/941 of the procuring of temporary electricity generation.	Refused	27 March 2024

FOI202442	Journalist	27 February 2024 A copy of any records held by Minister Ryan or any of his special advisers referring to Michael O'Leary or Ryanair. A copy of any communications between Minister Ryan or any of his special advisers with Michael O'Lear or Ryanair. Both parts of this request to cover the period 1 Dec 2023 to date. Searches of any mobile phones, relevant private email addresses and/or messaging services should be considered when processing this request.	Transferred	28 February 2024
FOI202441	Journalist	23 February 2024 Access to correspondence between Soilsiu Films and the Minister's office and / or his advisers in relation to the TV documentary Behind the Green Curtain.	Withdrawn	08 March 2024
FOI202440	Journalist	23 February 2024 1. Any correspondence (and attachments) related to Minister Ossian Smyth's April 2023 visit to the Digital Hub in Dublin. 2. Any minutes or notes related to Minister Ossian Smyth's April 2023 visit to the Digital Hub in Dublin.	Granted	25 March 2024

FOI202439	Journalist	23 February 2024 1. Any correspondence (and attachments) related to the Secretary General's visit to the Digital Hub in Dublin in 2024. 2. Any minutes or notes related to the secretary general's visit to the Digital Hub in Dublin in 2024.	Part-granted	25 March 2024
FOI202438	Business / Interest Group	22 February 2024 A list of RESS-2 and RESS-3 projects that have executed their contracts	Refused	22March 2024
FOI202437	Business / Interest Group	19 February 2024 We would like to understand if the requirements of Article 12 have been transposed into any laws, regulations, or administrative provisions as required by the Directive. Given the short timeline for reporting, we would like to understand the obligations on data centres operating in Ireland	Withdrawn	23 February 2024
FOI202436	Business / Interest Group	01 March 2024 1. Records relating to current BER and other relevant environmental/energy ratings of Uisce Éireann's premises at Colvill House and whether such current ratings are consistent with Government environmental policies and environmental/energy legal obligations; 2. Records of any meetings and/or discussions between the Linders Group (and any constituent company/related entities or executives/directors within such entities) and any representative of the Department in the previous five years.	Granted	03 April 2024

		3. Records relating to the current BER and other environmental/energy ratings of commercial properties leased to public bodies, including the current lease terms and break options in respect of any leases which are not compliant with Government environmental policies and environmental/energy legal obligations; 4. Records which set out details on how many state bodies have extended, or are in the process of extending, state leases in buildings which do not meet energy/sustainability/BER requirements etc; 5. Records relating to Government policies and strategies to comply with environmental initiatives to secure better BER ratings and details of those properties which currently do not meet targeted/required BER ratings; With regard to the references above to the Linders Group, this means (i) any entities within the Linders Group, including but not limited to Fontbay Limited, Treeport Limited, Linders of Smithfield Limited, Quadrant Engineers Limited, Equiside Limited, Equipoint Limited, Blanchardstown Investments Limited, Helmview Limited, Antler Properties Limited, C&F Quadrant Limited, Linders of Chapelizod Limited, Linders Finglas Turvey Limited, PJN Properties Limited, Lemonbrook Limited, Top Slope Limited, Condorvale Limited and any other companies or partnerships directly or indirectly controlled by the Linders Group or any of the foregoing companies and (ii) any senior executives linked to the Linders Group, including but not limited to Joe (Joseph) Linders, Patrick Linders and Paul Linders. Clarification received 22/03/2024: Not seeking any records relating to the residential sector Clarification received re. Point 5 27/03/2024 In relation to part 5, confine that to records relating to Government policies and strategies developed between June 2020 and December 2023.		

FOI202435	Member of the Public	15 February 2024 Records relating to the correspondence between the Association of Farm & Forestry Contractors in Ireland (FCI) and the Department of the Environment, as listed here. This should include, but is not limited to, any letters, emails, text messages, WhatsApp messages, memos, notes, reports, draft reports and any other relevant records that relate to the above return.	Granted	14 March 2024
FOI202434	Client	14 February 2024 An electronic copy, as soon as possible, of any documents (including but not limited to correspondence (letters, e-mails, etc.), briefings, reports, notes of telephone conversations, and notes of meetings) relating to The reductions in Greenhouse Gas Emissions anticipated from the Climate Action Plan 2024 and its corresponding Annex of Actions, including but not limited to all scenarios, pathways and projections for emission reductions.	Withdrawn	01 March 2024
FOI202433	Journalist	08 February 2024 Any briefing documents prepared for Minister Eamon Ryan in advance of his appearance at the Select Committee on Transport and Communications on Wednesday 7 February at 13:30pm	Withdrawn	14 February 2024

FOI202432	Business / Interest Group	07 February 2024 The spreadsheets used in preparation for Ireland's draft revised NECP (2024) to enable analysis of the content of the plan. We specifically request the following: 1. All excel workbooks or .csv data files for any and all scenarios in preparation of the draft or any available updating of the National Energy and Climate Plan, including WEM and WAM projected annual emissions, energy (by fuel), and agriculture (total nitrogen and animal numbers) data up to at least 2040. 2. Likewise any data showing the annual values for scenario pathway or pathways incorporating the resulting mitigation due to the Actions in Climate Action Plan 2024, to include emissions, energy use (by fuel), and agirculture (total nitrogen and animal numbers) data up to at least 2040. 3. Text description of all key cost, population or other assumptions underpinning each NECP scenario	Part-granted	06 March 2024
FOI202431	Member of the Public	07 February 2024 Records showing the 1. number of trips which Minister Ryan has made outside of Ireland in the years 2022 and 2023, 2. the destinations and 3, the overall cost of each trip.	Granted	29 March 2024
FOI202430	Member of the Public	06 February 2024 Details of any lawsuits pending in which the DAA are a party and details of the other parties involved. Please provide all causes of action in any case in which the DAA are a party.	Refused	05 March 2024

FOI202429	Member of the Public	06 February 2024 Affected by global warming, this will increase the frequency of extreme weather in Ireland. Met Éireann and the Irish Government have launched the Climate Action Plan,so what funds have been set aside to deal with extreme weather events for the next 5 years?	Refused	06 March 2024
FOI202428	Journalist	06 February 2024 Records relating to persons working within the Department who have been the subject of disciplinary action between January 1, 2019, and February 6, 2024. Can I request that this information be broken down by year and include the specific disciplinary action taken, the outcome of that action, and the reason for the person being disciplined.	Refused	04 March 2024
FOI202427	Journalist	06 February 2024 Any emails, notes, memos, briefings and/or records relating to a meeting held between Joe Dunne and Ossian Smyth between September and December 2023, as outlined in this lobbying request: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/106845/creative-retail-distribution-limited	Part-granted	04 March 2024
FOI202426	Journalist	06 February 2024 Any emails, notes, memos, briefings and/or records relating to a meeting held between Eamon Ryan and Amazon between September and December as outlined in this lobbying request: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/104301/amazon-web-services	Part-granted	05 March 2024

FOI202425	Member of the Public	01 February 2024 This request relates to the below ad which appeared in the Longford Leader and disgracefully speaks about people from the "middle of nowhere" - this just about sums up the Department. 1. All records relating to the creation to this ad. All emails. All names of those involved. 2. Records of all evidence that rural people don't recycle as much as urban people. 3. Records of all correspondence relating to the granting approval for this ad to be published. 4. Records of all correspondence relating the the location "the middle of nowhere". 5. Records of the published apology for publishing such a condescending and false ad. 6. All names of those involved in mywaste.ie and their locations. 7. All correspondence between the department and mywaste.ie in the past 12 months. 8. Records of brown bin uptake for every county in Ireland.	Refused	01 March 2024
FOI202424	Journalist	01 February 2024 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 01-01-2024 - 31-01-2024.		

FOI202423	Journalist	31 January 2024 Requesting the release of invoices for accommodation costs for the Minister, any Ministers of State and any staff accompanying them on their trips abroad for St Patrick's Day last year (with a breakdown of costs related to each person who travelled). I am also requesting the release of details of any gifts purchased for the trips, who they were intended for, and associated costs.	Granted	11 March 2024
FOI202422	Journalist	30 January 2024 To cover the period 1 January 2021-present: • All internal briefing documents, memos, progress reports or investigations about Irish companies, or companies based in Ireland, compliance with requirements in the Conflict Minerals Regulation which was introduced in January 2021	Withdrawn	07 February 2024
FOI202421	Journalist	29 January 2024 A comprehensive listing of the name, phone number and email for all AIE Officers across all public bodies subject to AIE.	Refused	20 February 2024
FOI202420	Journalist	29 January 2024 Copies of any correspondence, representations, messages received by Minister Ryan or the Department with regard to Mr Ryan's public comments advising people against the paving of gardens.	Refused	27 February 2024

FOI202419	Member of the Public	29 January 2024 Request relevant details (as listed below) of any records held by the Department of the Environment Climate Change and Communication and its related bodies concerning the wetland peatland habitats of the immediate and surrounding area of the townlands of Shancloon, Cloonbar, Beagh More, Derrymore, Cloonteen, Cloonsheen, Cloonaglasha and Tobberoe in and around the civil parish of Kilconla Co. Galway. This relevant details of this request is to include records of: Environmental or geological surveys performed in the area The quality of wetland and peatland habitat in the area under definitions in the EU habitats directive and/or the Natura 2000 network. The current and potential future protection status of the area including under SPA,SAC,National Heritage Area and other relevant protected areas statuses, Assessment of the impact of infrastructure development in the area. The rehabilitation potential of the peatland habitat in the area	Withdrawn	01 March 2024

FOI202418	Member of the Public	26 January 2024 Seeking the release of all records relating to the meeting held between the Minister of State, Ossian Smyth and Huawei Ireland, as listed here. 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. I also request any letters, emails, text messages, WhatsApp messages, memos, notes, reports, draft reports and any other relevant records that were created, sent or received before, during or after the meeting.	Part-granted	26 February 2024
FOI202417	Journalist	25 January 2024 • A schedule of flights, both commercial and use of private aircraft, and costs of same taken by the Minister in 2023 • A schedule of all hotels the Minister stayed in in 2023, including hotel name and cost per night while on official State business outside of the State. • All discretionary spending (meals, transport etc.) by the Minister on each trip. • The same information as above (flights, hotels, discretionary spending) in respect of all accompanying staff and advisers.	Granted	29 March 2024

FOI202416	Member of the Public	25 January 2024 Seeking the release of all records relating to the correspondence between the Irish Farmers' Association and Minister Eamon Ryan, as listed here. This should include, but is not limited to, any letters, emails, text messages, WhatsApp messages, memos, notes, reports, draft reports and any other relevant records that relate to the above return.	Part-granted	23 February 2024
FOI202415	Member of the Public	24 January 2024 1. All applications received for this Committee. 2. All individuals who were selected and their location based. 3. All judges and all scores for all applicants. 4. Reason 2 fora are in Dublin this year, all emails and correspondence with Dublin fora locations. 2024 Sustainable Development Goals National Stakeholder Forum Committee 2024	Part-granted	22 February 2024

FOI202414	Business / Interest Group	23 January 2024 A meeting held by Minister of State (Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications) Ossian Smyth and officials from the Department with representatives Imperial Brands John Player and/or other representatives of the tobacco industry between the 1st of September to the 31st of December 2023. I would like to secure copies of all files, including consultation notes, correspondences, minutes etc relating to these meetings. In particular, I wish to establish details of when these meetings occurred, who attended them, what issues were discussed and what actions, if any, were taken on foot of these meetings.	Transferred	25 January 2024
FOI202413	Journalist	23 January 2024 • an email to Ossian Smyth from Eircom about the "Awareness of urgency in appointment of a third Commissioner for ComReg", per the lobbying register • an email to Eamon Ryan from Eircom about the "Awareness of urgency in appointment of a third Commissioner for ComReg", per the same filing in the lobbying register	Granted	05 March 2024
FOI202412	Journalist	23 January 2024 Any correspondence or minutes of any meetings between Minister Ryan and Mary Robinson and / or the Victoria House Foundation (The Mary Robinson Centre) during 2023 and to date in 2024.	Part-granted	21 February 2024

FOI202411	Journalist	22 January 2024 1. Correspondence sent and received including any attachments, between Minister Ryan and the IFA, including but not limited to the issue of nominations to the Environment Protection Agency Advisory Committee, between 1st September 2023 and 22nd January 2024. 2. Internal Department correspondence relating to proposals from the IFA on the issue of nominations to the Environment Protection Agency Advisory Committee, between 1st September 2023 and 22nd January 2024.	Part-granted	20 February 2024
FOI202410	Member of the Public	22 January 2024 Please provide a copy of the contract recently signed by DECC & Capita extending the Eircode contract by three years	Part-granted	08 February 2024
FOI20249	Journalist	22 January 2024 1. The total cost of private jet/plane hire for travel for Minister Éamon Ryan between 1st January 2023 and 20th January 2024. 2. A breakdown in invoices, detailing the cost and destination, of private jet/plane hire for travel for Minister Éamon Ryan between 1st January 2023 and 20th January 2024.	Withdrawn	30 January 2024

FOI20248	Journalist	22 January 2024 I request access to the following records which are non-personal and which I believe are held by the Department of the Environment, dated between August 1, 2023 and the date of this request: • A record of correspondence between the offices of the Minister, the offices of the Minster of State, and Eir regarding appointments of commissioners to ComReg and communications regulation in Ireland. Correspondence should include, but is not limited to, letters, emails, memos, reports, draft reports, WhatsApp messages, texts messages and other communications and their associated documents. The following lobbying register entry may be of assistance with this request: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/104445/eircom-limited This should include a record of the dates payments were made and the services covered by the payments. It is preferable to receive the records in Excel format for each company/director.	Granted	05 March 2024
FOI20247	Journalist	22 January 2024 1. Minutes of meetings between Minister of State Ossian Smith and Huawei, between 1st September 2023 and 20th January 2024. 2. Briefings or speaking notes prepared ahead of meetings between Minister of State Ossian Smith and Huawei, between 1st September 2023 and 20th January 2024. 3. Correspondence between the Department and Huawei, between 1st September 2023 and 20th January 2024.	Part-granted	20 February 2024

FOI20246	Member of the Public	19 January 2024 A copy of the Explanatory Memorandum with Appendix that An Post submitted to the Department in early 2014 seeking Ministerial approval for changes in the company's superannuation scheme.	Refused	19 February 2024
FOI20245	Journalist	15 January 2024 Records which are non-personal and which I believe are held by the Department of the Environment dated between September 1, 2023 and the date of this request: • A record of all correspondence, to and from the rank of Assistant Secretary or higher (including Ministers/Ministers of State), with electricity suppliers on the pricing of electricity, the energy crisis, electricity market structures, electricity grid infrastructure or investments, renewable energy and energy consumption. Correspondence should include, but is not limited to emails, letters, text messages, memos, briefing documents, meeting minutes, and notes arising from meetings. The following may be of assistance in processing this request: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/104648/pinergy	Part-granted	13 March 2024

FOI20244	Business / Interest Group	10 January 2024 Please provide copies of all documents and information held that was created on and from 1 January 2021 in relation to (a) considerations of compliance of the TEG Procurements with the Legislation in respect of state aid by the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications ("DECC"), the Commission for Regulation of Utilities ("CRU"), EirGrid plc ("EirGrid") and/or the European Commission, and (b) any notifications to the European Commission and/or approval of the TEG Procurements by the European Commission under the Legislation, including but not limited to: (i) any recommendations and decisions by DECC, the CRU, EirGrid and/or the European Commission; (ii) any correspondence, such as email and letter exchanges, as between DECC, the CRU, EirGrid and/or the European Commission; and (iii) any meeting invitations, agendas, presentations and minutes.	Refused	09 February 2024
FOI20243	Member of the Public	04 January 2024 Copy of all correspondence between the Department of Environment and Clare County council in relation to 1)strategic windfarm areas 2)acceptable in principal windfarm areas in south East Clare for the years 2010 and 2011.	Refused	31 January 2024
FOI20242	Journalist	02 January 2024 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 01-12-2023 - 31-12-2023		

FOI20241	Member of the Public	02 January 2024 1. any submission(s) your organisation made to the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform in relation to that Department's review of the FOI Acts, 2. any record which is an analysis* of FOI requests received in your organisation in 2022, and 3. any record which is an analysis* of FOI requests received in your organisation in 2023. I recognise that the record mentioned at 3. above may not exist on 2 January, 2024. Please either provide an analysis (if it exists) or requests received up to 30 November 2023, or (preferably) delay processing of this part of my request until an analysis of the complete year exists. *An analysis might include any of the following data - • number of requests received, granted, part granted or refused, • number of requests per section of your organisation, • number of requests by topic, • number of requests by requester (anonymised), • number of requests by category of requester (e.g. individual, journalist, lobby group, etc.), • number of requests withdrawn, • number of requests which attracted fees, • total amount of fees paid, • number of time extensions applied, • number of internal reviews, • number of appeals to Information Commissioner, or any other parameter regarding FOI requests which your organisation tracks.	Withdrawn	22 January 2024