

Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications

2024 Q1 and Q2 FOI Disclosure Log of non-personal Freedom of Information Requests

FOI No.	Requester	Date and Details of Request Received	Decision	Date Released
FOI-0017-2024	Oireachtas/Public Representative	<p>27 June 2024</p> <p>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.</p>		
FOI-0016-2024	Member of the Public	<p>27 June 2024</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 		

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	Withdrawn	27 June 2024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.		
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.		
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.		

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.		
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.		
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.		
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.)		

FOI-0007-2024	Member of the Public	<p>14 June 2024</p> <p>.....1. Certification to clear the site surrounding the building</p> <p>2. Current intended use for the property</p> <p>3. Any request/ application to change the current intended use of the property -to structure or curtilage</p>	Transferred	17 June 2024
FOI-0006-2024	Member of the Public	<p>13 June 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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/aff1a9c-64db-4fd9-ace3-2afe317b423d.pdf#page=null) 		

FOI-0005-2024	Journalist	<p>07 June 2024</p> <p>1. Correspondence held by the Department of 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.</p> <p>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.</p>		
FOI-0004-2024	Member of the Public	<p>04 June 2024</p> <p>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.</p>	Transferred	04 June 2024
FOI-0003-2024	Member of the Public	<p>04 June 2024</p> <p>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).</p> <p>1. I would expect such records to include but not limited to communication email, letters, briefing notes & reports.</p> <p>2. I am seeking access to the outcomes of receiving the joint submission.</p>	Transferred	04 June 2024

<p>FOI-0002-2024</p>	<p>Business / Interest Group</p>	<p>04 June 2024</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 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 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 Earth 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 		
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		<p>the contracted personnel who will carry out the prospecting work, with start date of work commencement</p> <p>8. Earth Source Ltd Constitution</p> <p>9. Certificate of Incorporation (Ireland) for Earth Source Ltd</p> <p>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</p> <p>11. Financial statements accounting for the next 6 years of prospecting expenditures; and name of institution to cover expenditures</p> <p>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</p> <p>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</p>		
FOI-0001-2024	Journalist	<p>04 June 2024</p> <p>A list of esubmissions submitted to the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications through the e-submissions channel.</p> <p>I wish for my request to cover the period from 01-05-2024 - 31-05-2024.</p>		

FOI2014113	Member of the Public	<p>29 May 2024</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Ba mhaith liom an t-eolas seo a fháil ón tréimhse 1 Eanáir 2024 - 25 Bealtaine 2024.</p> <p>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 liosta thuas, ba maith liom ráiteas a dheimhniú é sin mar PDF i nGaeilge.</p>		
FOI2024112	Journalist	<p>30 May 2024</p> <p>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</p> <p>2) A record summarising complaints and feedback in relation to the Re-Turn scheme during that period</p> <p>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</p>	Part-granted	28 June 2024

FOI2024111	Member of the Public	<p>29 May 2024</p> <p>Records in relation to the meeting between Eamon Ryan TD and Amazon Web Services, as seen here.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>	Part-granted	28 June 2024
FOI2024110	Journalist	<p>27 May 2024</p> <p>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</p>	Part-granted	28 June 2024

FOI2024109	Journalist	<p>24 May 2024</p> <p>TikTok has reported meeting a number of times with Ossian Smyth and/or Patrick Neary between 1 January and 30 April.</p> <p>Request access to the following records/details:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – all paper and digital correspondence (emails, letters, texts, WhatsApps, 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	<p>24 May 2024</p> <p>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</p>	Withdrawn	31 May 2024
FOI2024107	Journalist	<p>23 May 2024</p> <p>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</p>	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		
FOI2024104	Journalist	23 May 2024 Records of correspondence, reports and memos between the Minister's office and 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		
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/ .		

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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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	<p>02 May 2024</p> <p>I request all records related to the review of the MSS scheme and the outcome and recommendations.</p> <p>Please process my FOI request specific to the outcome of the review of the that was mentioned. Exact wording from received email below.</p> <p>"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."</p> <p>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.</p>		
FOI202498	Journalist	<p>14 May 2024</p> <p>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.</p>	Refused	27 May 2024

FOI202497	Journalist	<p>14 May 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – all paper and digital correspondence (emails, letters, texts, WhatsApps, 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	<p>14 May 2024</p> <p>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)</p>	Withdrawn	13 June 2024

FOI202495	Client	<p>08 May 2024</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Documents on discussions in Government. 		
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FOI202494	Member of the Public	<p>07 May 2024</p> <p>*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;</p> <p>*All internal departmental correspondence, briefing notes, reports or other internal correspondence relating to the visit;</p> <p>*All correspondence from Kingspan and/or its representatives or agents following the meeting.</p>		
FOI202493	Journalist	<p>07 May 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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	<p>07 May 2024</p> <p>A copy of the Appendix to the Memorandum referenced in FoI 2024/6 and FoI 2022/272</p>	Refused	05 June 2024

FOI202491	Journalist	<p>01 May 2024</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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	<p>01 May 2024</p> <p>List of esubmissions submitted to the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications through the e-submissions channel.</p> <p>I wish for my request to cover the period from 01-04-2024 - 30-04-2024.</p>		
FOI202489	Journalist	<p>29 April 2024</p> <p>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-alterns-statement-on-climate-case-says-he-didnt-initiate-move-against-swiss-grannies/a1244992305.html</p> <p>Searches of <u>any mobile phones, relevant private email addresses and/or messaging services</u> should be considered when processing this request.</p>	Part-granted	28 May 2024

FOI202488	Member of the Public	<p>25 April 2024</p> <p>I request a copy of correspondence between Tobin's and G.S.I., between 2022 and 2024.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 McNeen, 	Withdrawn	26 April 2024
FOI202487	Journalist	<p>25 April 2024</p> <p>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.</p>	Refused	24 May 2024
FOI202486	Journalist	<p>24 April 2024</p> <p>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.</p>	Part-granted	17 May 2024

FOI202485	Business / Interest Group	<p>24 April 2024</p> <p>Seeking records including information of the following regarding the SEAI (sustainable energy authority of Ireland) motor fuel comparison:</p> <p>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.</p> <p>These records would have been collected over the preceding 5 years.</p>	Transferred	26 April 2024
FOI202483	Member of the Public	<p>23 April 2024</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Any correspondence between Amazon and the minister regarding the work or recommendations of these groups from January 2023 to present.</p> <p>Any correspondence between IBEC and the minister regarding the work or recommendations of these groups from January 2023 to present.</p>	Transferred	24 April 2024

FOI202482	Business / Interest Group	<p>19 April 2024</p> <p>Seeking records including information of the following regarding the Return Scheme:</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Can records also be sought showing communications as to where the money that is not collected by the public will go.</p> <p>These records would have been collected over the preceeding 3 years.</p>	Part-granted	09 May 2024
FOI202481	Member of the Public	<p>09 May 2024</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Weather modifications which include ANY and ALL practices such as: Spraying substances and chemicals in our skies. Stratospheric aerosol injections. Cloud seeding.</p>	Refused	28 May 2024

FOI202480	Member of the Public	<p>16 April 2024</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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	<p>15 April 2024</p> <p>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.</p>	Refused	03 May 2024

FOI202478	Member of the Public	<p>15 April 2024</p> <p>The information I request concern a mediation and decision making company called Raise a Concern Ltd.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>I am requesting information since 2015 if available.</p> <p>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.</p>	Refused	30 April 2024
FOI202477	Member of the Public	<p>12 April 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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	<p>12 April 2024</p> <p>Records relating to commercial jet travel of the Minister from June 2020 to date.</p> <p>By this I mean, any invoices or booking confirmations for commercial jet travel undertaken by the Minister for the time period requested.</p>	Granted	28 May 2024

FOI202475	Member of the Public	<p>10 April 2024</p> <p>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.</p>	Refused	09 May 2024
FOI202474	Member of the Public	<p>09 April 2024</p> <p>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:</p> <p>TEG1 – Gas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North Wall ESB: 191 MW • Huntstown Energia: 50 MW <p>TEG2 – Distillate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shannonbridge ESB: 262 MW • Tarbert SSE: 150 MW <p>TEG – Retention of Moneypoint Units 820 MW</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MP1 • MP2 • MP3 <p>together (the "TEG Procurements").</p> <p>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</p>	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	<p>09 April 2024</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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

		<p>7. The number of HEO's in Dept of Housing who transferred into Dept of Environment, Climate and Communications after 1st February 2024</p> <p>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</p> <p>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</p> <p>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)</p> <p>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)</p> <p>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)</p> <p>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)</p>		
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FOI202472	Journalist	<p>09 April 2024</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>	Part-granted	08 May 2024
FOI202471	Member of the Public	<p>09 April 2024</p> <p>1) Including Mr Ryan, how many officials attended COP28?</p> <p>2) Total travel and subsistence costs involved in those persons attending COP28?</p> <p>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?</p> <p>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.</p>	Granted	08 May 2024

FOI202470	Journalist	<p>08 April 2024</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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	<p>08 April 2024</p> <p>Any complaints received concerning the deposit return scheme from 01/02/2024 to date</p>	Part-granted	29 April 2024

FOI202468	Journalist	<p>08 April 2024</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 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. 	Part-granted	02 May 2024
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FOI202467	Oireachtas/Public Representative	<p>04 April 2024</p> <p>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/</p> <p>Clarification received 04/04/2024</p> <p>I can confirm that it the information highlighted which I am looking for.</p> <p>"We have provided our views to the Government on this matter" (Quote taken from transcript.)</p>	Refused	02 May 2024
FOI202466	Journalist	<p>03 April 2024</p> <p>All correspondence between Minister Ossian Smyth and Re-Turn (the firm managing the deposit return scheme) between 01 January 2024 to current date</p> <p>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</p> <p>All briefing material prepared for Minister Ossian Smyth about the deposit return scheme between 01 January 2024 to current date</p>	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	<p>20 March 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 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	<p>20 March 2024</p> <p>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</p>	Granted	08 May 2024
FOI202456	Member of the Public	<p>14 March 2024</p> <p>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.</p> <p>The details of whether the mode of transport was commercial or if chartered/private.</p>	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	<p>06 March 2024</p> <p>Complete list of oil reserves and their respective quantities/capacities/contents, current and speculative that are within the territory of Ireland.</p> <p>Clarification received 13/03/2024</p> <p>seeking records pertaining to NATURAL oil reserves in the State</p>	Refused	15 April 2024
FOI202450	Member of the Public	<p>04 March 2024</p> <p>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.</p> <p>By this, I mean, any private jet travel hired by the Department in lieu of using the Learjet or any other Air Corps aircraft.</p> <p>Please include any invoices and details of these trips (cost, dates, locations & who was aboard).</p> <p>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.</p>	Refused	27 March 2024

FOI202449	Journalist	<p>04 March 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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	<p>01 March 2024</p> <p>A list of esubmissions submitted to the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications through the e-submissions channel.</p> <p>I wish for my request to cover the period from 01-02-2024 - 29-02-2024.</p>		

FOI202447	Business / Interest Group	<p>27 February 2024</p> <p>(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;</p> <p>(2) Determining that the Loan Note did not satisfy the requirements under the Guidance and that had not provided certainty of financial resources;</p> <p>(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</p> <p>(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”.</p> <p>We also request any findings on any material issues of fact made by the Financial Advisor for the purposes of the said decisions.</p>	Granted	27 March 2024
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FOI202446	Business / Interest Group	<p>27 February 2024</p> <p>(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:</p> <p>(a) the redeemable secured convertible loan note provided tosubmitted to the Department; and</p> <p>(b) the market announcement submitted to the Department in relation to an additional equity raise of</p>	Refused	27 March 2024
FOI202445	Business / Interest Group	<p>27 February 2024</p> <p>(1) All hard copy documents and electronically stored information held by the Department of 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:</p> <p>(a) All submissions made by the Licensee to the Department in respect of the extension application;</p> <p>(b) All requests for information issued by the Department to the Licensee in respect of the extension application; and</p> <p>(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.</p>	Part-granted	27 March 2024

FOI202444	Business / Interest Group	<p data-bbox="598 201 808 228">27 February 2024</p> <p data-bbox="598 268 1727 504">(1) All hard copy documents and electronically stored information held by the Department of 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:</p> <p data-bbox="598 544 1727 616">(a) Any and all policy document, guidelines or similar considered in respect of the selection of the “Financial Capacity assessment criteria”.</p> <p data-bbox="598 655 1621 727">(b) Any discussions, proposals or decisions made in relation to the selection of the “Financial Capacity assessment criteria”. And</p> <p data-bbox="598 767 1632 839">(c) All internal and external communications relating the selection of the “Financial Capacity assessment criteria”.</p>	Part-granted	18 June 2024
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FOI202443	Member of the Public	<p>27 February 2024</p> <p>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:</p> <p>(a) any correspondence, such as email and letter exchanges, as between DECC and the European Commission in respect of the TEG Procurements;</p> <p>(b) any meeting invitations, agendas, presentations or minutes of meetings in which decisions and/or recommendations at paragraph (a) were taken;</p> <p>(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</p> <p>(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.</p>	Refused	27 March 2024
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FOI202442	Journalist	<p>27 February 2024</p> <p>A copy of any records held by Minister Ryan or any of his special advisers referring to Michael O'Leary or Ryanair.</p> <p>A copy of any communications between Minister Ryan or any of his special advisers with Michael O'Lear or Ryanair.</p> <p>Both parts of this request to cover the period 1 Dec 2023 to date.</p> <p>Searches of any mobile phones, relevant private email addresses and/or messaging services should be considered when processing this request.</p>	Transferred	28 February 2024
FOI202441	Journalist	<p>23 February 2024</p> <p>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.</p>	Withdrawn	08 March 2024
FOI202440	Journalist	<p>23 February 2024</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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	22 March 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

		<p>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;</p> <p>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;</p> <p>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, Treepart 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.</p> <p>Clarification received 22/03/2024:</p> <p>Not seeking any records relating to the residential sector</p> <p>Clarification received re. Point 5 27/03/2024</p> <p>In relation to part 5, confine that to records relating to Government policies and strategies developed between June 2020 and December 2023.</p>		
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FOI202435	Member of the Public	<p>15 February 2024</p> <p>Records relating to the correspondence between the Association of Farm & Forestry Contractors in Ireland (FCI) and the Department of the Environment, as listed here.</p> <p>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.</p>	Granted	14 March 2024
FOI202434	Client	<p>14 February 2024</p> <p>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</p> <p>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.</p>	Withdrawn	01 March 2024
FOI202433	Journalist	<p>08 February 2024</p> <p>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</p>	Withdrawn	14 February 2024

FOI202432	Business / Interest Group	<p>07 February 2024</p> <p>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:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 agriculture (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	<p>07 February 2024</p> <p>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.</p>	Granted	29 March 2024
FOI202430	Member of the Public	<p>06 February 2024</p> <p>Details of any lawsuits pending in which the DAA are a party and details of the other parties involved.</p> <p>Please provide all causes of action in any case in which the DAA are a party.</p>	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	<p>01 February 2024</p> <p>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.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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	<p>01 February 2024</p> <p>A list of esubmissions submitted to the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications through the e-submissions channel.</p> <p>I wish for my request to cover the period from 01-01-2024 - 31-01-2024.</p>		

FOI202423	Journalist	<p>31 January 2024</p> <p>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).</p> <p>I am also requesting the release of details of any gifts purchased for the trips, who they were intended for, and associated costs.</p>	Granted	11 March 2024
FOI202422	Journalist	<p>30 January 2024</p> <p>To cover the period 1 January 2021-present:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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	<p>29 January 2024</p> <p>A comprehensive listing of the name, phone number and email for all AIE Officers across all public bodies subject to AIE.</p>	Refused	20 February 2024
FOI202420	Journalist	<p>29 January 2024</p> <p>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.</p>	Refused	27 February 2024

FOI202419	Member of the Public	<p>29 January 2024</p> <p>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 Shanclon, Cloonbar, Beagh More, Derrymore, Cloonteen, Cloonsheen, Cloonaglasha and Tobberoe in and around the civil parish of Kilconla Co. Galway.</p> <p>This relevant details of this request is to include records of:</p> <p>Environmental or geological surveys performed in the area</p> <p>The quality of wetland and peatland habitat in the area under definitions in the EU habitats directive and/or the Natura 2000 network.</p> <p>The current and potential future protection status of the area including under SPA,SAC,National Heritage Area and other relevant protected areas statuses,</p> <p>Assessment of the impact of infrastructure development in the area.</p> <p>The rehabilitation potential of the peatland habitat in the area</p>	Withdrawn	01 March 2024
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FOI202418	Member of the Public	<p>26 January 2024</p> <p>Seeking the release of all records relating to the meeting held between the Minister of State, Ossian Smyth and Huawei Ireland, as listed here.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>	Part-granted	26 February 2024
FOI202417	Journalist	<p>25 January 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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	<p>25 January 2024</p> <p>Seeking the release of all records relating to the correspondence between the Irish Farmers' Association and Minister Eamon Ryan, as listed here.</p> <p>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.</p>	Part-granted	23 February 2024
FOI202415	Member of the Public	<p>24 January 2024</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. <p>2024 Sustainable Development Goals National Stakeholder Forum Committee 2024</p>	Part-granted	22 February 2024

FOI202414	Business / Interest Group	<p>23 January 2024</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>	Transferred	25 January 2024
FOI202413	Journalist	<p>23 January 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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	<p>23 January 2024</p> <p>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.</p>	Part-granted	21 February 2024

FOI202411	Journalist	<p>22 January 2024</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>	Part-granted	20 February 2024
FOI202410	Member of the Public	<p>22 January 2024</p> <p>Please provide a copy of the contract recently signed by DECC & Capita extending the Eircode contract by three years</p>	Part-granted	08 February 2024
FOI20249	Journalist	<p>22 January 2024</p> <p>1. The total cost of private jet/plane hire for travel for Minister Éamon Ryan between 1st January 2023 and 20th January 2024.</p> <p>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.</p>	Withdrawn	30 January 2024

FOI20248	Journalist	<p>22 January 2024</p> <p>I request access to the following records which are non-personal and which I believe are held by the Department of Environment, dated between August 1, 2023 and the date of this request:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A record of correspondence between the offices of the Minister, the offices of the Minister of State, and Eir regarding appointments of commissioners to ComReg and communications regulation in Ireland. <p>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.</p> <p>The following lobbying register entry may be of assistance with this request: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/104445/eircom-limited</p> <p>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.</p>	Granted	05 March 2024
FOI20247	Journalist	<p>22 January 2024</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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	<p>19 January 2024</p> <p>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.</p>	Refused	19 February 2024
FOI20245	Journalist	<p>15 January 2024</p> <p>Records which are non-personal and which I believe are held by the Department of Environment dated between September 1, 2023 and the date of this request:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. <p>The following may be of assistance in processing this request: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/104648/pinergy</p>	Part-granted	13 March 2024

FOI20244	Business / Interest Group	<p>10 January 2024</p> <p>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:</p> <p>(i) any recommendations and decisions by DECC, the CRU, EirGrid and/or the European Commission;</p> <p>(ii) any correspondence, such as email and letter exchanges, as between DECC, the CRU, EirGrid and/or the European Commission; and</p> <p>(iii) any meeting invitations, agendas, presentations and minutes.</p>	Refused	09 February 2024
FOI20243	Member of the Public	<p>04 January 2024</p> <p>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.</p>	Refused	31 January 2024
FOI20242	Journalist	<p>02 January 2024</p> <p>Seeking a list of esubmissions submitted to the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications through the e-submissions channel.</p> <p>I wish for my request to cover the period from 01-12-2023 - 31-12-2023</p>		

FOI20241	Member of the Public	<p>02 January 2024</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. <p>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.</p> <p>*An analysis might include any of the following data -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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, <p>or any other parameter regarding FOI requests which your organisation tracks.</p>	Withdrawn	22 January 2024
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