

Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications

2024 Q1, Q2 & Q3 AIE Disclosure Log of non-personal Access to Information on the Environment Requests

AIE No.	Requester	Date and Details of Request Received	Decision	Date Released
AIE202454	Member of the Public	<p>25/09/2024</p> <p>I request the following information from the Department of the Environment, Climate Action, and Communications, under the European Communities (Access to Information on the Environment) Regulations 2007 to 2018, records of regulatory impact analysis (RIA) screenings conducted on the following two byelaws; the Conservation of Pike Byelaw (No. 809) 2006 and the Conservation and Prohibition on Sale of Coarse Fish Byelaw (No. 806) 2006.</p>		
AIE202453	Member of the Public	<p>12/09/2024</p> <p>Iniata leis seo táim ag déanamh iarratas faoi Rialacháin RFC 2007-2018 le heolas a fháil faoin togra a bhfuil cead tugtha dó ag Comhairle Contae na Gaililmhe, mar atá leagtha amach faoin uimhir thagartha 23448.</p> <p>Translated to: Please find attached my application under the AIE Regulations 2007-2018 to obtain information about the proposal which has been approved by Galway County Council, as set out under reference number 23448.</p> <p>Planning Ref. No 23448. Planning Permission for Construction of an Electrical Transmission support long duration battery array in Glencoh, Screebe, Co. Galway</p>	Transferred	18 September 2024

AIE202452	Member of the Public	<p>13/09/2024</p> <p>records of ministerial consent (i.e. Activities Requiring Ministerial Consent - ARC 02 Stocking or re-stocking with fish) that have been issued to the Oughterard Trout Hatchery, Oughterard, Co. Galway for the stocking of brown trout fry into the Connemara Bog Complex SAC as per Regulation 30 of S.I. No. 477/2011 - European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 and/or Section 5 of S.I. No. 549/2023 - European Union Habitats (Connemara Bog Complex Special Area of Conservation 002034) Regulations 2023.</p>		
AIE202451	Member of the Public	<p>13/09/2024</p> <p>records of ministerial consent (i.e. Activities Requiring Ministerial Consent - ARC 02 Stocking or re-stocking with fish) that have been issued to the Oughterard Trout Hatchery, Oughterard, Co. Galway for the stocking of brown trout fry into Lough Corrib SAC as per Regulation 30 of S.I. No. 477/2011 - European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 and/or Section 5 of S.I. No. 384/2022 - European Union Habitats (Lough Corrib Special Area of Conservation 000297) Regulations 2022.</p>		
AIE202450	Member of the Public	<p>23/08/2024</p> <p>records of the appropriate assessment screening for the Conservation of Salmon and Sea Trout Ballysadare (Catch and Release) Bye-Law No. 1012, 2024 signed on August 21st, 2024.</p>	Refused	02 September 2024

AIE202449	Member of the Public	<p>14/08/2024</p> <p>I request the following information which is non-personal in nature:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. 	Refused	04 September 2024
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AIE202448	Member of the Public	<p>12/08/2024</p> <p>Please provide to me at the above address, a list of: - All correspondence, documentation, pieces of paper, generated, and all information known by you, that in any way relate to the <u>Code of Best Practice National and Regional Greenways</u> including but not limited to deliberations/communications/parameters relating to the development of the <u>Code of Best Practice National and Regional Greenways</u>, selection process for the working group tasked with devising the <u>Code of Best Practice National and Regional Greenways</u>, financial issues.</p>	Closed	12 August 2024
AIE202447	Member of the Public	<p>01/08/2024</p> <p>records of all ministerial consents granted for the stocking of non-native rainbow trout (<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>) in lakes and rivers sited within the Twelve Bens/Garraun Complex SAC in Co. Galway.</p>	Refused	26 August 2024
AIE202446	Member of the Public	<p>01/08/2024</p> <p>records of all ministerial consents granted for the stocking of non-native rainbow trout (<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>) in lakes and rivers sited within the Connemara Bog Complex SAC in Co. Galway.</p>	Refused	26 August 2024

AIE202445	Member of the Public	<p>25/07/2024</p> <p>I request the following information which is non-personal in nature:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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/aff1a9c-64db-4fd9-ace3-2afe317b423d.pdf#page=null) and all associated correspondence 	Refused	31 July 2024
AIE202444	Member of the Public	<p>23/07/2024</p> <p>records of the appropriate assessment screening conducted for the Conservation of Salmon and Sea Trout Ballysadare (Closed River) Bye-Law No. C.S. 336, 2024 signed on July 17th, 2024.</p>	Refused	25 July 2024
AIE202443	Business/Interest Group	<p>08/07/2024</p> <p>Could you send me the SEA Statement for the 2024 Climate Action Plan It doesn't appear to be on your website https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/79659-climate-action-plan-2024/ If the monitoring measures are not in the SEA Statement, can you send me a copy of those as well. Time scale is 1 week in light of the fact that there is a requirement to make this information available to the public.</p>	Granted	07 August 2024

AIE202442	Member of the Public	<p>27/06/2024</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 <p>(On 08 July 2024, the request was clarified to....) I can confirm that I am requesting all draft non-finalised versions of the reports. I am seeking any data collected as a result of observations resultant of the carrying out of the ObSERVE II study. For example, but not limited to, high resolution images, Generalised Additive Model (GAM) images, density distributions not included in the reports, geo Tiffs, shapefiles, etc. I am seeking any GIS data collected as a result of observations resultant of the carrying out of the ObSERVE II study. The latest iteration of the GIS data will be sufficient.</p>	Part Granted	01 August 2024
AIE202441	Business/Interest Group	<p>19/06/2024</p> <p>As you know the AIE Regulations require environmental information to be made available to an applicant having regard to any timescale specified by the applicant, environmental information shall be made available to an applicant as soon as possible or, at the latest, within one month after the receipt by the public authority of the applicant's request; or within two months after the receipt of the request by the public authority if the volume and the complexity of the information is such that the one-month period cannot be complied with. In such cases, the applicant shall be informed as soon as possible, and in any case before the end of that one-month period, of any such extension and of the reasons for it. This request is for the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The documented procedure within your public authority which is followed to ensure that the obligations of “as soon as possible” mentioned above are achieved in practice. 	Granted	02 July 2024

		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. The documented procedure within your public authority which is followed to ensure that regard is had to the timescale specified by the applicant. 3. The results of any monitoring or reviews of your public authority's performance where the above two requirements are monitored and reviewed (whether internally or through an external review) 4. If there are no documented procedures, please describe how your public authority meets these requirements of the legislation both in terms of individual requests and at a systematic level. <p>Timescale Since this request is for information that is directly available to the AIE Officer and is information that relates to an existing legal obligation the timescale specified by me is 2 weeks from the date of the request having regard to Regulation 7(10) of the AIE Regulations.</p>		
AIE202440	Member of the Public	<p>24/06/2024</p> <p>I request the following information which is non-personal in nature:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. <p>Clarification received on 09/07/2024, 1) Yes: I am requesting all draft non-finalised versions of the reports. 2) I am seeking: Any data collected as a result of observations resultant of the carrying out of the ObSERVE II study. For example, but not limited to; high resolution images, Generalized Additive Model (GAM) images, density distributions not included in the reports, geoTiffs, shapefiles, etc.</p>	Part Granted	01 August 2024

		3) I am seeking: Any GIS data collected as a result of observations resultant of the carrying out of the ObSERVE II study. Furthermore, I am requesting all iterations of those GIS data.		
AIE202439	Member of the Public	14/06/2024 The letter sent by the Irish Government to the European Council regarding its decision to opt out of the adoption of Directive (EU) 2024/1203 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 April 2024 on the protection of the environment through criminal law and replacing Directives 2008/99/EC and 2009/123/EC.	Refused	12 July 2024
AIE202438	Member of the Public	13/06/2024 I request the following information which is non-personal in nature: <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/afff1a9c-64db-4fd9-ace3-2afe317b423d.pdf#page=null) 	Withdrawn	12 July 2024
AIE202437	Member of the Public	04/06/2024 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

AIE202436	Member of the Public	04/06/2024 I request 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
AIE202435	Journalist	28/05/2024 a copy of any briefings, submissions, memos, speaking notes, Q&As, or other such documents prepared for Minister Ryan with regard to the latest report from the EPA indicating that Ireland is failing to miss its emissions targets. a copy of any correspondence between the Minister (or minister's office) or the Secretary General (or their office) and the EPA with regard to the above.	Refused	27 June 2024
AIE202434	Member of the Public	27/05/2024 I request an Access to Information on the Environment in relation, as specified in Directive 2003/4/EC. I would like a copy of the ENVIRONMENT Report, which incorporates all the conclusions of The Strategic Environmental Assessment carried out prior to development of the bioenergy plan and program, called The Bioeconomy Action Plan 2023-2025, subsequent to the legally required The Strategic Environment Assessment as set out in Directive 2001/42/EU section 3(2). A Directive incorporated in Irish Law in July 2004. In Decision C-24/19, which dealt with the non-compliance of The Wind Energy Guidelines to EU Law, The ECJ outlined a format for deciding what constitutes a plan and a program.,	Refused	17 June 2024

AIE202433	Member of the Public	<p>22/05/2024</p> <p>Re: Kish and Bray Banks Time Period: From 01/01/1999 to 02/04/2005</p> <p>1. Copy of supporting documentation related to environmental assessment submitted by the applicant with the actual application form for licence consent under the Foreshore Act 1933.</p> <p>2 Copy of the assessment undertaken by the department as part of the decision to grant licence.</p> <p>3 Copy of the bi –monthly reports submitted by the applicant post consent.</p> <p>4 Copy of assessment/communication based on the information provided by the applicant in the above bi-monthly reports.</p>	Part Granted	31 May 2024
AIE202432	Member of the Public	<p>14/05/2024</p> <p>I request the following information from Inland Fisheries Ireland, 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
AIE202431	Member of the Public	<p>25/04/2024</p> <p>My Freedom of Information request regarding to the destructive effect Lissinagroagh Wind Farm Project poses to the environment, the blanket bogs in the townlands surrounding Dough Mountain (National Heritage Area), Dough Mountain, the pollution of Lattone River, the County River, Lough Melvin (Special Area of Conservation), Dooard River, (SAC), the recently discovered water courses (Unmapped) through the caves at Tullyskeherney, Kiltyclogher, the water catchment to Lough McNeen, and the water courses surrounding Manorhamilton, Co. Leitrim.</p>	Closed. Deemed Refused. No reply issued. Answered in AIE202426.	14 August 2024

		<p>FuturEnergy plans to develop Lissinagroagh Wind Farm at Lissinagroagh, Co Leitrim. It appointed, Tobin Consulting Engineers, to carry out studies, design, and preparation of the planning application and Environmental Impact Assessment Report and Natura Impact Statement, on behalf of the project. The wind farm was originally for 20, 185m turbines. In November 2021, Tobin's issued a Newsletter reducing the number to 18, 185m turbines.</p> <p>I am attaching the O.S. Maps from Newsletter 1 and the updated locations in Newsletter 2, identifying the new locations of the 18 turbines. The maps, identify the 'Study Area' of the Environment Impact Assessment Report. The 'Study Area' in Newsletter 2 remains the same despite major changes in the location of a number of turbine sites.</p> <p>One of the new sites is 250 meters from the edge of the Study Area and close to the recently discovered Tullyskeherney cave and the Lattone watercourse. An adjacent turbine will be built alongside the Lattone River in an area with identified but unmapped caves; dye tracing has not been carried out on these ground water courses. Two turbines will be erected in the bog on Saddle Hill and 1000m from the Ballagh River, (S.A.C.). The developers describe the Saddle Hill sites as 'Bare un-plant able land'.</p> <p>Two will be situated on the west side of Dough Mountain (459m) with an overhang of 159m of peat. Both of these turbines are in Sitka Spruce forestry with a high possibility of landslides due to the area being upland peatland and as assessed by the Geological Survey of Ireland. This adds risk to the protected N.H.A. sites adjacent to the proposed wind farm. The developer believes these sites 'are not susceptible to subsidence'. The turbines on the Lissinagroagh, Tawnylust side are in forestry extending to the plateau of Dough Mountain. I have attached photographs of the site and the erosion as a result of bog movement and steep vertical landscape. Thirteen of the turbine sites form a linear divide through the 'Study Area'. When combined with the four remaining turbines, Lissinagroagh Wind Farm Project will encircle the majority of Dough Mountain.</p> <p>The area is a confirmed nesting site for Hen Harriers and other Annex 1 and Annex 2 E.U. Directive protected birdlife and habitats.</p>		
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		I am attaching a copy of maps identifying the location of the turbines and photographs of the area of the wind farm. I request you consider the irreversible affects this wind farm will have on Lough Melvin (S.A.C.), the groundwater, bedrock, and public health risks.		
AIE202430	Business/Interest Group	22/04/2024 please provide me with 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: Any proposal to construct an LNG import terminal in Ireland on foot of, or in response to, the Energy Security Report published on 14th November 2023.	Withdrawn	09 May 2024
AIE202429	Journalist	18/04/2024 any and all emails, minutes of meetings and messages between Minister Ossian Smyth and his staff or representatives and any representatives of Deposit Return Scheme Ireland CLG or Re-turn, including their PR representatives, making reference to the key words “waste disposal” “materials recovery,” “Waste to energy facility” or “NACE codes” dated between 01/07/22 and 18/04/24.	Refused	15 May 2024
AIE202428	Journalist	18/04/2024 any and all emails, minutes of meetings and messages between Minister Ossian Smyth and his staff or representatives and any representatives of Deposit Return Scheme Ireland CLG or Re-turn, including their PR representatives, between 30/05/22 and 01/07/22.	Part Granted	17 May 2024

AIE202427	Member of the Public	<p>05/04/2024</p> <p>(1) I request the following information from the Department of the Environment, Climate Action, and Communications, under the European Communities (Access to Information on the Environment) Regulations 2007 to 2018, records of all private sector management consultancy firms who have been engaged by the Inland Fisheries Division since 2020 regarding the review of existing fisheries legislation and/or fisheries legislation that is ten years old or more.</p> <p>(2) I request the following information from the Department of the Environment, Climate Action, and Communications, under the European Communities (Access to Information on the Environment) Regulations 2007 to 2018, records of all private sector management consultancy firms who have been engaged by the Inland Fisheries Division since 2022 regarding the Long-Term Management Plan for the Great Western Lakes aka the Western Lakes Management Plan (WLMP).</p>	Refused	<p>02 May 2024</p> <p>(For records of review of secondary legislation and policy review)</p>
AIE202426	Member of the Public	<p>12/04/2024</p> <p>FuturEnergy are in the process of developing a wind farm at Lissinagroagh Co Leitrim. Tobin's Consulting Engineers produced a 'Scoping Report' in 2021, for inclusion in its Environmental Impact Assessment Report. The 'Scoping Report' states that it requested a submission from the Department of Environment, Climate and Communications for inclusion in the Environmental Impact Assessment Report.</p> <p>I request a copy of the following information.</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, 	Part Granted	10 May 2024

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · The Department of Environment, Climate and Communications, submission to the Environmental Impact Assessment Report on Lissinagroagh Wind Farm. <p><i>(I made a Freedom of Information request to the appropriate IFI Environmental Officer in Inland Fisheries Ireland, and it provided me with the information I requested.)</i></p> <p>Separate to the request pertaining to Lissinagroagh Wind Farm Development, I make a similar request under the European Communities (Access to Information on the Environment) Regulations 2007 to 2018 (AIE Regulations), for copies of Reports and Studies commissioned by Department of Environment, Climate and Communications regarding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Discharges and other releases into the environment, affecting or likely to affect the elements of the environment, by building a Wind Farm in the areas specified in the attached Ordinance Survey map of North Leitrim, · Into Measures (including administrative measures), such as the policies of building Wind Farm in the areas specified in the attached Ordinance Survey Map of North Leitrim, · Into policies, plans, programmes, environmental agreements, and activities affecting or likely to affect the elements and factors referred to above as well as measures or activities designed to protect those elements by building a wind farm in the areas specified in the attached Ordinance Survey map of North Leitrim, · Cost-benefit and other economic analyses and assumptions used for the above measures and activities in the areas specified by building a wind farm in the areas specified in the attached Ordinance Survey map of North Leitrim, · Into the state of human health and safety, including the contamination of the food chain, where relevant, conditions of human life, cultural sites and built structures that may be affected by the elements of the environment, by building a wind farm in the areas specified in the attached Ordinance Survey map of North Leitrim, · Copies of reports commissioned by the Department of Environment, Climate and Communications on the implementation of environmental legislation, by building a wind farm in the areas specified in the attached Ordinance Survey. 		
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AIE202425	Member of the Public	09/04/2024 statistics on the scale and cost of illegal dumping by local authority and at national levels.	Withdrawn	16 April 2024
AIE202424	Member of the Public	05/04/2024 (1) ... records of all private sector management consultancy firms who have been engaged by the Inland Fisheries Division since 2020 regarding the review of existing fisheries legislation and/or fisheries legislation that is ten years old or more. (2) ... records of all private sector management consultancy firms who have been engaged by the Inland Fisheries Division since 2022 regarding the Long-Term Management Plan for the Great Western Lakes aka the Western Lakes Management Plan (WLMP).	Refused	03 May 2024 (For records re update/review of Primary Legislation)
AIE202423	Journalist	25/03/2024 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Documentation showing how the €1.159 billion sent to the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communication by the Budget 2024 is being allocated by the Department (divided by areas or purposes). • Internal reports of administrative measures (constructions and repairs, for example) destined to prevent damages from environmental events, such as storms and floods, in 2024. 	Granted	19 April 2024 (Part Two)

AIE202422	Journalist	<p>25/03/2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Documentation showing how the €1.159 billion sent to the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communication by the Budget 2024 is being allocated by the Department (divided by areas or purposes). • Internal reports of administrative measures (constructions and repairs, for example) destined to prevent damages from environmental events, such as storms and floods, in 2024. 	Granted	<p>24 April 2024</p> <p>(Part One)</p>
AIE202421	Member of the Public	<p>25/03/2024</p> <p>I request access to records supporting the policy change leading to the decision to target 9GW onshore wind energy, as detailed in the Climate Action Plan 2023. I quote “Dial up to 9 GW onshore wind, 8 GW solar, and at least 7 GW of offshore wind by 2030 (with 2 GW earmarked for green hydrogen production).” CLIMATE ACTION PLAN 2023</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. I would expect such records to include but not limited to modelling analysis and related reports, carried out on Ireland’s land area and the power generating potential from wind energy projects on the areas. <p>I am seeking access to the outcomes of the modelling under various setback and turbine height scenarios (for the State, as a whole, and by local authority area, if available).</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Information relating to minimum turbine size and setback distances required to provide for what the department would consider commercially feasible wind energy development in Ireland. 	Part Granted	<p>24 May 2024</p>

AIE202420	Journalist	<p>21/03/2024</p> <p>any and all emails, minutes of meetings and messages between Minister Ossian Smyth and his staff or representatives and any representatives of Deposit Return Scheme Ireland CLG or Re-turn, including their PR representatives, between 01/07/22 and 21/03/24.</p>	Withdrawn	18 April 2024
AIE202419	Member of the Public	<p>15/03/2024</p> <p>Please provide All Information related to the Legally Permitted Use of any Tyre Derived Material in the Republic of Ireland.</p>	Refused	03 April 2024
AIE202418	Journalist	<p>12/03/2024</p> <p>I wish to receive copies, under the Access to Information on the Environment (AIE) regulations to cover the period 1 January 2024-present, of the below records concerning pending, proposed or estimated fines from the European Commission and/or the EU for Ireland for missing climate or energy targets or for failure to meet climate or energy targets, namely:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agenda and Minutes of any internal and/or interdepartmental meetings about the above. • Agenda and Minutes of any meetings with the EU / European Commission about the above. • Internal and/or interdepartmental correspondence about the above. • Correspondence (to include attachments) from/with the European Commission and/or other EU institutions about the above. • Any briefing papers prepared for senior management (Ass Sec Gen and above) and/or ministerial level and/or cabinet level that mention or discuss the above. • Any internal reports, analyses, assessments, or statistical calculations/estimates about the above. • In addition, a breakdown in tabular format of the fines already incurred by the Irish State for missing EU targets in carbon emissions and renewable energy share. 	Part Granted	09 May 2024

AIE202417	Member of the Public	<p>29/02/2024</p> <p>In order to enable analysis of the Climate Action Plan 2024, An Taisce wishes to request the following information under the provisions of EU Directive 2003/4/EC “Access to Environmental Information” (“The AIE Directive”); and SI 133/2007, SI 662/2011, and SI 615/2014 of the European Communities (Access to Information on the Environment) Regulations 2007-2014, as amended, relating to Ireland’s implementation of the AIE Directive:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All excel workbooks or .csv data files for any and all scenarios in preparation of the Climate Action Plan 2024 and its Annex of Actions. This includes WEM and WAM projected annual data for total emissions by sector, energy usage by fuel-type and by sector, carbon removals, and agriculture inputs and outputs (total nitrogen in fertiliser and feed, and animal numbers) data up to at least 2040. 2. Likewise, annual data as per Item 1 above showing the annual sectoral input and activity values for 2021–2030 for any scenarios considered in preparing the Climate Action Plan 2024 that meet the five-year carbon budgets without fail (as is required by the legally binding nature of these budgets). 3. Text description of all key economic, fuel cost, population, and other assumptions, underpinning every scenario considered for Climate Action Plan 2024 	Granted	26 April 2024
AIE202416	Business/Interest Group	<p>14/02/2024</p> <p>Please provide me with 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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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	28 February 2024

AIE202415	Member of the Public	09/02/2024 all documents related to and including shareholder letters of expectation sent to Bord na Mona in the period 2019 – present.	Part Granted	08 April 2024
AIE202414	Journalist	12/02/2024 for the following records to cover the period 1 November 2023-present: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes of any meetings between members of the Electricity Security of Supply Steering Group and the Minister(s) responsible for energy (and/or Ministerial advisory staff) in which the Demand-Side Industry or Demand-Side Units were discussed and/or DSUs capacity contribution to the power system. • Any briefing documents prepared for the Minister(s) responsible for energy about supply demand and/or DSUs and/or DSUs capacity contribution to the power system during times of capacity constraints. • Any internal reports, assessments, or briefing papers about concerns over DSUs capacity contribution to the power system during times of capacity constraints • Any correspondence (including attachments) with data centres, data centre representative groups, “Long run DSUs” and/or DSUs receiving Capacity Market payments about DSUs capacity contribution to the power system and/or concerns over the capacity made available. 	Part Granted	11 March 2024
AIE202413	Member of the Public	06/02/2024 hereby request information under the Freedom of Information Acts 2014 and the AIE regulations 2007 -2018. Please provide me with details of any lawsuits pending in which the DAA are a party and details of the other parties involved.	Closed	01 March 2024

		Please provide all causes of action in any case in which the DAA are a party.		
AIE202412	Member of the Public	02/02/2024 I am requesting the records of the Environmental Impact Assessment and /or Environmental impact Statement pertaining to the rollout of NBI poles and cables around the Natura2000 (site code 000197) Gweebarra River, Donegal, Ireland held by the Dept. and any records pertaining to tree or hedge felling or trimming for said rollout during bird nesting season with particular reference to raptors.	Withdrawn	07 February 2024
AIE202411	Member of the Public	01/02/2024 all copies of the minutes of all the meetings of the National Inland Fisheries Forum (NIFF) from 2019 to 2023.	Closed	01 March 2024
AIE202410	Member of the Public	31/01/2024 Could you please send me all details of any testing for PFAS at Dublin Airport and its surrounding areas. Please include dates of tests, locations of tests and results of each test. Please also include the criteria for assessing PFAS in terms of potential harm to waterways, wildlife, and human health.	Refused	29 February 2024
AIE20249	Member of the Public	31/01/2024 Please provide, by email, for the period 5 July 2023 to 31 January 2024 (both dates inclusive), all correspondence and records, both internally within the DECC, and between DECC and other external authorities (DAFM, EU, European Commission etc) , relating (in whole or in part) to the European Commission's proposed Directive on Soil Monitoring and Resilience (as proposed on 5 July 2023) .	Refused	14 March 2024

AIE20248	Business/Interest Group	31/01/2024 It has come to our attention that under the auspices of NBI you intend to erect poles and overhead cables around the Gweebarra River and Bay areas of County Donegal, a Natura2000 AREA with several SACs. Under the Access to Information on the Environment Regulations 2007-2018 we are requesting a map of the proposed locations of these poles and cables and the Environmental Impact Statement for the said works prior to the commencement of same.	Closed	01 March 2024
AIE20247	Business/Interest Group	29/01/2024 At the meeting of Kildare County Council of 26th July 1999, a resolution was passed extinguishing a Right of Way at the Celbridge Interchange (the “extinguishment”) under Section 73 of the Roads Act 1993 (as amended). Please see attached Minutes of same. The Minutes record the following: The proposed extinguishments shall become operative only upon confirmation by the Minister for the Environment and Local Government of the Kildare County Council (Celbridge Interchange) Motorway Scheme, 1998 and the Kildare County Council Compulsory Purchase (Celbridge Interchange) No. 1 Order, 1998. I wish to make an AIE request as follows: 1. Please provide a copy of the Inspector’s report recommending the said extinguishment. 2. Please provide a copy of all records held by the Department in respect of the said Scheme and Order. Please provide the records in electronic format.	Withdrawn	1 February 2024

AIE20246	Business/Interest Group	<p>17/01/2024</p> <p>Under AIE can you provide electronic versions of the following by email or download link for each of the last three calendar years</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dates in each year on which training for the administration of the AIE Regulations was provided to personnel within your department. 2. Identity of the training organisation in each case 3. Copies of the training materials in each case 	Part Granted	15 February 2024
AIE20245	Business/Interest Group	<p>16/01/2024</p> <p>A list of all documents, correspondence, meeting minutes, pieces of paper, and all information known to you that in any way, and all ways relates to: <i>The actual settlement agreement of the "An Taisce-v-An Bord Pleanála & ORS 2011238JR" High Court case (c.f. AN TAISCE -V- AN BORD PLEANALA & ORS 2011 238 JRAN TAISCE -V- AN BORD PLEANALA & ORS 2011 238 JRAN TAISCE -V- AN BORD PLEANALA & ORS 2011 238 JR</i></p> <p>https://services.courts.ie/high-court-search?caseRecordId=2011%20238%20JR) which led to the establishment of the <i>Environmental Law Implementation Group (ELIG) in December 2011</i> .For your information, the creation of ELIG as a settlement of the Corrib case is noted in this article in the Irish Times: https://www.irishtimes.com/news/corrib-legal-challenges-settled-1.886008</p> <p>Please enumerate the list, clearly displaying a meaningful description and an actual copy of each document, especially the actual settlement agreement.</p>	Granted	05 March 2024

AIE20244	Business/Interest Group	15/01/2024 Please provide electronic copies of all submissions received in response to the recent consultation on the AIE Regulations. https://www.gov.ie/en/consultation/ce756-public-consultation-on-proposed-amendments-to-the-access-to-information-on-the-environment-aie-regulations-2007-2018/ The identities of individuals who responded in a personal capacity can be redacted as well as personal email addresses and phone numbers and home addresses. It is noted that although the consultation says publication is intended, it doesn't give a time frame.	Granted	07 February 2024
AIE20243	Business/Interest Group	09/01/2024 A list of all documents, correspondence, meeting minutes, pieces of paper, and all information known to you that in any way, and all ways relates to: 1. The names and duration of appointment of the nominated representatives of An Taisce and the Environmental Pillar on the Environmental Law Implementation Group (ELIG) since it was established in December 2011 . 2. The attendees and minutes of each meeting held by the parties to the Environmental Law Implementation Group Bureau (i.e. the 2 Department representatives and the two eNGO representatives from An Taisce and the Environmental Pillar - normally held bi-annually) since it was established in December 2011. For your information, Minister Hogan, in a written Dáil response (https://www.kildarestreet.com/wrans/?id=2012-11-06a.1780) in November 2012, declared that the nominated representatives were then Ms. Attracta Ui Bhroin (An Taisce) and Mr. Michael Ewing (Environmental Pillar).	Granted	01 February 2024

AIE20242	Business/Interest Group	<p>03/01/2024</p> <p>A list of all documents, correspondence, meeting minutes, pieces of paper, and all information known to you that in any way, and all ways relates to:</p> <p>The direct and indirect funding of, requests for, and receipt of, payments and expenses to the Nominated representatives of An Taisce and the Environmental Pillar on the Environmental Law Implementation Group (ELIG) since it was established in December 2011.</p>	Granted	30 January 2024
AIE20241	Journalist	<p>02/01/2024</p> <p>copies of any progress reports relating to the department initiative to fit schools with solar panels (as detailed in the following article: https://www.irishexaminer.com/news/arid-41239672.html)</p> <p>- copies of any records held by the minister or the secretary general referring or relating to delays in the above project.</p> <p>Both parts of this request to cover the period 1 Jan 2023 to date.</p>	Refused	25 January 2024