

**Freedom of Information Requests for Non-Personal Information Completed During the Period
1 October 2018 to 31 December 2018**

Our Ref	Date Rec'd	Requester Type	Request details	Decision Made
18/221	10/07/2018	Other	<p>A copy of the DAFM meat hygiene inspection criteria* for "high throughput" meat plants involved in slaughtering livestock, including bovine, ovine, poultry etc . *By this I mean the criteria meat inspectors / official veterinarians or others use to regulate and enforce meat hygiene / food safety regulations in "high throughput" Irish abattoirs. To include the areas of production that are inspected, for example, ante-mortem, post-mortem, dressing, slaughter, cleanliness of livestock on arrival in lairage, storage, sanitation, cleaning etc. 2, A copy of enforcement rules / criteria**, eg explaining the different tiers of compliance, such as minor non-compliance, major non-compliance, outcome tiers eg unsatisfactory outcomes etc, plus any enforcement cascade or equivalent. **or equivalent if called something else. 3, For the years 2016, 2017, 2018 to date ***, the total number of non-compliances recorded in each "high throughput" Irish abattoir regulated by DAFM, to include type of non-compliance, severity of non-compliance, area of production involved, description of non-compliance (if available), enforcement actions (eg verbal warnings, written warnings, other sanctions / interventions) , and to include an indication of the species slaughtered in each plant. *** If this exceeds permitted time, please work backwards from most up to date records (starting July 18) as far as time allows, eg records for 2018 to date and 2017, if 2016 isn't available. 4, The number of "high throughput" abattoirs regulated by DAFM, and an indication of the species slaughtered at each.</p>	Refused

18/237	01/08/2018	Other	<p>copies of the certificates of approval for the below livestock vessels, including the marine surveyor's inspection report, the veterinary inspector's report, approval dates and expiry dates: *Express 1 *Atlantic M *Holstein express *Brahman express *Sarah *Any other vessels approved by the Minister for carrying livestock</p>	Part grant
18/265	04/09/2018	Journalist	<p>My requests relates to the work of the Investigations Division of the Department, particularly as it relates to its work in the area of the illegal importation of drugs and veterinary products for use in the greyhound and horseracing industries.</p> <p>I am making this request unaware of the manner in which records are kept or maintained. As such, I am happy to amend my request to marry it in so far as is possible to information that may be easily available within the Department.</p> <p>The intention of this request is to seek the headline details of all detections/ discoveries made by the Investigations division or logged by the Division which relate to illegal or performance enhancing drugs used in the greyhound and horse racing industries.</p> <p>I hope to get details of the nature of each discovery / seizure including (but not limited to) the date; the source (international or domestic) of the drugs; the name of the drug(s); the quantities of the substances; the intended purpose (greyhound/horse); whether it resulted in a conviction; the (general) location of the discovery and was the substance discovered as part of a licenced training operation.</p> <p>If other headline details are captured and are relevant I would also like these to be released. If any of the above details are not captured in a coherent fashion I am happy for those to be removed.</p>	Part grant

18/271	11/09/2018	Journalist	a copy of all records relating to correspondence between the Department and XXXXXXXX Ltd over the funding of Horse Sport Ireland to include any replies/analysis of issues raised by XXXX. The records, should include, but not be limited, to any e-mails between the parties and any attachments therein. (Timeframe: 1 January 2017 to 24 Sep 2018)	Grant
18/276	13/09/2018	Other	All hard copy documents and electronically stored information held by the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine (the "Department") touching upon, concerning or in any way relating to the application made by / on behalf of XXXXXXXX and / or XXXXXXXXXX on 17 November 2006 for the renewal of Fish Culture Licence XXXX and Foreshore Licence XXXX(collectively the "Licence"); and 2. All hard copy documents and electronically stored information held by the Department touching upon, concerning or in any way relating to the application made by / on behalf of XXXXXXXXXX and / or XXXXXXXXXX in December 2014 for the renewal of the Licence.	Part grant
18/279	19/09/2018	Journalist	access to a copy of the letter from IPAV to Minister Creed in relation to the rights of land owners when the first long-term leasing of land comes to an end. Please also include any responses from Minister Creed or the Department. Details of the letter are included in the following lobbying return: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/31614/institute-of-professional-auctioneers-and-valuers	Grant
18/281	21/09/2018	Journalist	any internal or external communications between officials in the Department of Agriculture and other government departments, agencies, local authorities, industry representative organisations, private companies and NGO's concerning the decision by the European Commission to renew the approval of the active substance glyphosate. This would date from December 2017 to the present	Grant

18/282	24/09/2018	Journalist	...access to any minutes / briefings / memos / correspondence relating to the meeting between Minister Creed and Anne O'Leary of the RTE board. Details of the meeting are outlined in the following lobbying return: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/32482/raid/C3%B3--teifil/C3%ADs-%C3%A9ireann	Refused
18/283	24/09/2018	Journalist	...copies of all records held relating to the appointment of Ms Lucinda Creighton to the board of Horse Sport Ireland.	Refused
18/284	25/09/2018	Journalist	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Memo to XXX XXXX from Michael Murnane, Bord na gCon. Dated December 23, 2013 and received as an attachment to an email on the same date. 2. Email from XXX XXXX to Phil Meaney on December 3, 2013. Subject "Adrian Neilan's Pension" and reply received on December 6, 2013. 3. Email and attachment from Adrian Neilan to XXX XXXX regarding Private letter December 12, 2013. 4. Any email received in response to a request made to Mr Meaney by XXX XXXX by email on December 30, 2013 seeking an update position on the pension issue. 	Part grant
18/287	26/09/2018	Other	<p>Copy of the Voyage Plan for each vessel.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copy of the master's confidential report detailing any illness or injury and confirming the number of animals loaded and the number of animals discharged. • Copy of the Cattle Vessel Plan • Copy of Preliminary 96 hour weather report 	Refused

18/288	26/09/2018	Other	<p>S.I. No. 356/2016 - Carriage of Livestock by Sea Regulations 2016</p> <p>Shipment of 922 cattle from Greenore to Libya 25/02/2018</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copy of the Voyage Plan • Copy of the Cattle Vessel Plan • Copy of Preliminary 96 hour weather report <p>Shipment of 1876 cattle from Waterford to Turkey 25/01/2018</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copy of the Voyage Plan • Copy of the Cattle Vessel Plan • Copy of Preliminary 96 hour weather report 	Refused
18/292	04/10/2018	Other	<p>...any and all details of any registration of chassis, receptables and containers for the haulage of Category 3 Material by XXXXXX Ltd, XXXXXXXXXX, and any delisting by the same company.</p>	Refused
18/293	04/10/2018	Other	<p>I request the following records in relation to a shipment of cattle that left for Turkey from Waterford in August 2018. The vessel used was the Atlantic M.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copy of the voyage plan • Copy of the health certificates completed by a veterinary official prior to the start of the journey • Copy of inspection report of the vessel prior to loading • Copy of the master's confidential report detailing any illness or injury and confirming the number of animals loaded and the number of animals discharged • Can you please confirm if a veterinary official was on board? • Where fatalities occurred where and how where the carcasses disposed Of? 	Refused

18/294	04/10/2018	Other	<p>request the following records in relation to a shipment of cattle that left for Libya from Greenore in May 2018. The vessel used was the Express 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copy of the voyage plan • Copy of the health certificates completed by a veterinary official prior to the start of the journey • Copy of inspection report of the vessel prior to loading • Copy of the master's confidential report detailing any illness or injury and confirming the number of animals loaded and the number of animals discharged • Can you please confirm if a veterinary official was on board? • Where fatalities occurred where and how where the carcasses disposed of'? 	Refused
18/298	09/10/2018	Journalist	<p>I wish to request a copy of all records of correspondence and communications between the Department of Agriculture and the Irish Greyhound Board over the proposed and actual sale of Harold's Cross greyhound stadium.</p> <p>The records should include but not be limited to all e-mails and any attachments therein as well as any text messages between relevant parties.</p>	Part grant

18/299	10/10/2018	Other	<p>Regarding Afforestation Grant & Premium Scheme, related or preceding schemes, relating to forestry or lands in vicinity of the following townlands;</p> <p>XXXX Townland, XXXX Electoral Division, Co. Cavan XXXXTownland, XXXX Electoral Division, Co. Cavan XXXX Townland, XXXX Electoral Division, Co. Tipperary XXXX Townland, XXXX Electoral Division, Co. Tipperary</p> <p>The following information is requested;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Monies issued from 2000 to date in relation to the forestry or lands titled or in the vicinity of the specified townlands, specifically; 2. Monies issued in the period 2005 to 2012 in relation to the forestry or lands titled or in the vicinity of the specified townlands. 3. Monies issued since 2013 in relation to the forestry or lands titled or in the vicinity of the specified townlands. 4. Details of Registrants from 2013 onwards of forestry or lands titled or in vicinity of the specified townlands. 5. Registrations of forestry or lands titled or in vicinity of the specified townlands from 2000 onwards. 	Part grant
18/300	10/10/2018	Journalist	<p>Under FOI I would like all records relating to the Department's handling of the Ombudsman's finding that the state should pay the XXXXX family in Donegal compensation from the Lost at Sea scheme. Please include all files, memos and correspondence on this issue from January 2017 to May 30, 2018.</p>	Part grant

18/301	09/10/2018	Other	<p>1. all tendering documents, contracts, service agreements, applications, approvals and all other documentation and correspondence, including e-mails, directly or indirectly pertaining to the grants and/or funding for forestry promotion, publication, awareness and training allocated or paid to Teagasc, inter alia, under Subhead C.6.4 of the Oireachtas Vote 30 for each of the years 2012 to 2017, inclusive of both years. 2. all documents relating to terms of reference of any tendering process, call for funding or any other such grant process. 3. all documents relating to the detailed performance criteria set down in each of the years for the payments of such grants. 4. all documents regarding the assessment of these criteria. 5. all documents regarding the achievement of the performance criteria and any unfiled conditions or performance criteria obligations outstanding for each of the years at year end and at the end of the period in question. 6. all documents and correspondence between DAFM and Teagasc and all internal communications within the Department including memoranda to the Minister or Ministers of State regarding the grants specified in paragraph 1. 7. all corr between DAFM and the Department of Finance and/or the Dep of Public Expenditure regarding the grants specified in paragraph 1. 8. All documents, communication and memoranda relating to these grants which were prepared for or considered during the mid term review of the current Forestry Programme (2014-2020) regarding the grants specified in paragraph 1. 9. all documents, communication and memoranda relating to these grants which were prepared for and/or sent to or received from the Commission of the EU regarding or related to the Mid-Term Review of the current Forestry</p>	Refused
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18/304	16/10/2018	Other	<p>if you could provide me with the following information on marine fish quota swops (exchanges) with other nations in the calendar year 2014.</p> <p>Specifically, I am interested in the following details:</p> <p>Which Irish quota (species and sea area) entitlements were swopped out</p> <p>In exchange for</p> <p>What quota was swopped in</p> <p>From which other nation(s)</p> <p>And</p> <p>On which date the transaction(s) was(were) undertaken</p> <p>Could you also inform me please, whether the swops were a straightforward exchange, tonne for tonne or whether some kind of transformation (such as through “cod equivalents” for example) was involved in deciding the quantities involved.</p>	Grant
18/311	19/10/2018	Oireachtas/Public Representative	<p>all final policy submissions made by the Department to the Departments of Finance and Public Expenditure and Reform relating to Budget 2019.</p>	Refused

18/318	02/11/2018	Journalist	notes of any internal discussions (including emails, letters, messages, minutes, presentations, briefing etc) regarding the approval, impacts and use of sulfoxaflor-type pesticides (flupryadifurone, sulfoxaflor and spinetoram) since 1 Aug 2018. • Notes of any discussions or meetings with DOW Chemicals or any of its representatives (such as industry membership groups or lobbyists) regarding the approval of sulfoxaflor-type pesticides (flupryadifurone, sulfoxaflor and spinetoram) in Ireland and in the European Union, from 1 Aug 2018. • Any discussions between Ireland and the French and UK governments regarding the approval or banning of sulfoxaflor-type pesticides (flupryadifurone, suloxaflor and spinetoram) in Ireland, the UK, France or the European Union since 1 Aug 2018. • The ecotoxicology report for Transform (GF-2372) circulated to Member States.	Part Grant
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18/319	02/11/2018	Journalist	1, For 2015, 2016, 2017, the total number of breaches recorded against each of the following SMRs: SMR 1 Protection of water against pollution caused by nitrates. SMR 2 Conservation of Wild Birds. SMR 3 Conservation of Natural Habitats and of Wild Flora and Fauna. SMR 4 Food and Feed Hygiene. SMR 5 Restrictions on the use of substances having hormonal or thyrostatic action and beta-agonists in farm animals. SMR 6 Pig Identification and Registration. SMR 7 Cattle Identification and Registration. SMR 8 Sheep and goat Identification and Registration. SMR 9 Prevention and control of Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies (TSEs). SMR 10 Plant Protection Products (PPPs). SMR 11 Welfare of Calves. SMR 12 Welfare of Pigs. SMR 13 Welfare of Farm Animals. 2, Where held, For each breach, details of the specific SMR section that the breach related to, for example, SMR 4 Food and Feed Hygiene, Part 1A, Is there evidence that feed additives and veterinary medicinal products are not used correctly. 3, Details, if held, relating to the severity (eg intentional or negligent), extent (on or off farm) and/or any other information on the seriousness of each breach (if recorded differently)	Grant
18/321	07/11/2018	Other	...expiry date of current permit XXXX - animal by products i.e. XXXXXXXXXXXX.	Grant
18/322	07/11/2018	Business/Interest Group	all records, documentation and any other material stating the total quantity of skim milk powder, whole milk powder and butter that was placed into Private Storage Aid (PSA) and Intervention by each of the following Co-operatives individually for the years 2012, 2013,2014,2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 separately.	Refused

18/323	08/11/2018	Journalist	<p>Earlier this year the Department released material on corporate governance meetings with the Irish Greyhound Board Your reference: FOI-18-213.</p> <p>This included the minutes of a meeting held on November 14, 2016.</p> <p>The minutes referred to a number of documents which were to be shared after the meeting or when they were ready. In this request I seek a copy of the following items of future correspondence and any follow up correspondence that arose directly from them.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Shareholder's Letter of Expectation/Oversight Agreement. 2. The IGB was to report on the loop-holes relating to the 9th litter. 3. "DAFM requested a report from BnG on the areas that the ICC is not following up on, particularly in relation to those individuals who are in contravention of the 'failure to notify' provisions in the Welfare of Greyhounds Act." 	part grant
18/325	13/11/2018	Journalist	<p>a list of all people who travelled on trade mission to Malaysia/Indonesia in late October 2018 where costs were incurred by your department/public body. - an itinerary for the trip. - a table of costs associated with this travel to include flights, hotels, transport, entertainment, banqueting, entertainment, gifts etc. - copies of the actual invoices/receipts relating to the above.</p>	Grant
18/326	15/11/2018	Other	<p>if you could provide me with the minutes generated by the deliberations of the QMAC (Quota Management Advisory Committee) covering issues in the calendar year 2014. Some of these meetings are likely to have taken place during 2013 and others in 2015, the majority in 2014.</p>	Grant

18/327	16/11/2018	Other	I hereby request access to copies of any and all documents, records, memoranda, notes and any other information held by the Department of Agriculture in respect of the product Shotput, a residual herbicide for control of weeds in potatoes, together with any and all records regarding the distribution of this product, including any complaints made regarding its distribution,	Part grant
18/336	29/11/2018	Other	...copies of any records by post of any financial contributions made by the Department of the Marine to Cork County Council for any works carried out by them on Gearhies Pier.	Grant
18/338	30/11/2018	Journalist	Copies of presentations prepared by officials for the purpose of the Confidence and Supply talks between Fianna Fáil and Fine Gael/briefings prepared for same/minutes of the meetings where officials presented to the negotiating teams.	Refused
18/340	03/12/2018	Journalist	All correspondence relating to government business to and from the private email account or accounts of Ministers in the department from the period 01 January 2018 to the present day.	Refused
18/341	03/12/2018	Journalist	I would like to request the details, including the date and outcome, of any searches by the Special Investigations Unit of the Department into suspected unlicensed veterinary products at any premises in Connaught after September 2017. I do not wish the name of the searched party to be included. I also seek, in tabular form, the details of all prosecutions taken by the Department arising from the discover of unlicensed veterinary products since January 1, 2015.	Part grant
18/345	05/12/2018	Other	all documents, minutes, meeting notes, correspondence, and related materials held by DAFM concerning and arising from the meeting on 28/11/18 attended by the Minister, his officials, and Horse Sport Ireland. Included in this request are all documents and related materials produced to prepare for the meeting, distributed or acquired at the meeting, and produced after the meeting.	Grant

18/346	06/12/2018	Journalist	I wish to apply to the Department for copies of all internal audit reports carried out by or for the department since June 1st 2018 to date.	Part grant
18/500	12/12/2018	Other	For a number of named Aquaculture Licence holders: Registered Current Licence Owner, Current Licence Grant Date and Period of Licence, Licence Renewal Date, Is licence currently operating under Section 19 A (4) of the Fisheries (Amendment) Act 1997 as amended by the Sea-Fisheries and Maritime Jurisdiction Act 2006, Additional Licence Conditions not noted on DAFF Portal, Has Farm operated in past two calendar Years (Fish on Site).	Refused