

Public Interest Test – EIR

Reference Number – DAERA/25-393

Requested Information

To provide:

All meeting records to date connected with the 'Forever Lough Neagh' initiative, which has been spearheaded by the National Trust (via DAERA funding and in partial collaboration with the department). This includes:

- 1) Minutes of any relevant meetings.*
- 2) Location(s) of the same.*
- 3) Attendees at the same.*
- 4) Any presentation materials circulated at or associated with the meetings.*
- 5) Any briefing materials provided in relation to the same.*

Exemption / Exception under consideration

Regulation 12(4)(d) - Material in the course of completion, unfinished documents and incomplete data

Regulation 12(4)(e) – Internal Communications

Regulation 13 – Personal Information.

Reasons why the public interest would favour disclosure:

- The right of the public to have access to information.
- The need for the public to be better informed and more conversant on public affairs.

Reasons why the public interest would favour withholding:

- The need to preserve confidentiality having regard to the subject matter and the circumstances of the information.
- Some of the information falling within the scope of the request contains personal information.
- Some of the information falling within the scope of the request relates to internal communications and also includes information received from third parties.

Conclusion

Following consideration of the Public Interest Test the Department has decided to release the information requested with the necessary redactions in place to preserve confidentiality having regard to the subject matter and the circumstances of the information.

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