

# **Public Interest Test – EIR**

**Reference Number – DAERA/ 26-24**

## **Requested Information**

To provide:

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

- 1) Minutes of any relevant meetings to date.*
- 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)(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.

## **Conclusion**

Following consideration of the Public Interest Test the Department has decided not to release any further information than that already provided under the response issued to DAERA 25 – 393 dated 19 August 2025.

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