

Reference Number: **DAERA/26-294**

**Request Details:**

All minutes of meetings held by the Northern Ireland Strategic Wildfire Group, for the last two years

**Northern Ireland Environment Agency**  
Natural Environment Division



Department of  
**Agriculture, Environment  
and Rural Affairs**

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27 May 2026

Dear ██████████

**Environmental Information Regulations 2004**

With regard to your request for information received by the Department on 26 April 2026 which sought the following information:

All minutes of meetings held by the Northern Ireland Strategic Wildfire Group, for the last two years.

I attach copies of the requested information (with personal information redacted).

Some of the information held constitutes personal data of which you are not the data subject. In these instances, the Department is required to consider if disclosure would breach the first Data Protection Principle, which states that processing must be lawful, fair and transparent.

The Department has considered this element and has determined that no lawful basis for disclosure under EIR exists, bearing in mind that any disclosure must be considered in terms of disclosure to the "world at large" and not just you, the requester. Consequently, third party personal data falling within the scope of this request has been withheld under Section 13(1) of the EIR – Personal Data.

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A Lawful & Fairness test has been conducted and is attached (Annex 1).

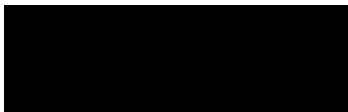
If you require any clarification, believe that any part of your request has been overlooked, misunderstood or misinterpreted, please contact me in the first instance to see if it is a matter that can be resolved.

If you are unhappy with the manner in which your request for information has been handled or the decision to release/withhold information, you have the right to request a formal review by the Department.

If you wish to do so, please contact The Review Section either by e-mailing [daera.informationmanager@daera-ni.gov.uk](mailto:daera.informationmanager@daera-ni.gov.uk) or by post at The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs, Data Protection & Information Management Branch, Floor 2, Jubilee House, 111 Ballykelly Road, Ballykelly, Limavady BT49 9HP, within two months from the date of this letter.

If after such an internal review you are still unhappy with the response, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, CHESHIRE, SK9 5AF, who will undertake an independent review of the Department's decision.

Yours sincerely,



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