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Data from DAERA's WIIS records for incidents between 1 January 2020 and 31 December 2025.



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Dear ██████████

Environmental Information Regulation 2004

I refer to your request for information received by the Department on 12 June 2026 as detailed below.

Request for data from DAERA's WIIS records for research into the wildlife impacts of professional pest control operations as part of a wider investigation into rodenticide use and non-target species harm across the United Kingdom, specifically WIIS incidents recorded in Northern Ireland between 1 January 2020 and 31 December 2025.

Under Regulation 12(4)(a) the Department is excepted from the duty to disclose the information on the grounds that the information sought is not held.

- DAERA is not directly responsible for the delivery of the Wildlife Incident Investigation Scheme (WIIS) and therefore does not hold the relevant information requested. The responsible Non-Departmental Public Body is the Agri-Food and Biosciences Institute (AFBI), Disease Surveillance and Investigation Branch, Veterinary Sciences Division, 12 Stoney Road, Stormont, Belfast BT4 3SD

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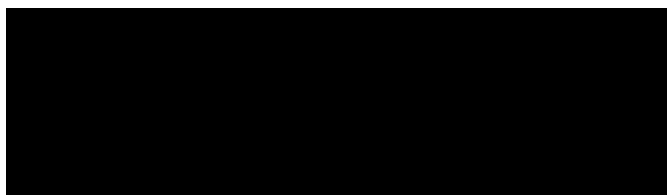
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If you require any clarification, believe that any part of your request has been overlooked, misunderstood or misinterpreted, please contact me in the first instance to see if it is a matter that can be resolved.

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 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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