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Dear

Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your email received by the Department on 26 August 2026 which you sought the information in bold below.

I can confirm that the department has completed its searches and holds the information requested.

- **How many FOI/EIR requests were received by the Department relating to its actions in Fivemiletown?**

Up to 26 August 2026, the Department had received 15 FOI requests relating to its actions in Fivemiletown.

- **How many requests were actioned and information subsequently provided by the Department?**

All requests were actioned with responses issued. One request was provided with partial information.

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- **What was the subject matter disclosed in any of the above responses?**

A redacted copy of a deprivation order was disclosed.

- **How many FOI/EIR requests were declined and what were the contents of these requests?**

Responses have been issued to all 15 formal requests. In each case, the Section 22 FOI exemption (information intended for future publication) was applied, with a Public Interest Test completed and reflected in the response. The requests raised a range of questions concerning the planning, implementation and subsequent follow-up of the Department's actions in Fivemiletown on 29 and 30 June 2026.

The Department publishes FOI responses on its internet pages, which can be accessed by the following link: [DAERA Publication Scheme | Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs](#)

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 way 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,



Veterinary Service Animal Health Group