

### Louth County Council FOI Disclosure Log 2017

Ref	Date Recd	Description	Requester Category	Decision type	Decision issued
2 2017	09/01/2017	Any communication made to the council from members of the public with regards to UFO's, UFO sightings or incidents of a similar nature	Journalist	Refusal under Section 15(1)(a)	19/01/2017
3 2017	10/01/2017	Request re 'void' houses, ie. houses that tenants have handed back to the council. Specifically looking for the amount of units the Council refurbished in 2016 and the total cost of doing up such units. Also requesting the same figures for 2015. Requesting the names of all contractors used to repair void houses in 2016, the number of houses each contractor worked in and the total amount paid to each contractor	Journalist	Grant	07/02/2017
5 2017	11/01/2017	The total amount in euro Louth County Council spent on consultants in 2016, 2015 and 2014. Details of all consultant contracts awarded over €10,000 in 2016, 2015 and 2014. Please provide the following: 1. the amount in euro the contract was awarded for 2. what the contract was for 3. who was awarded the contract 4. what work was carried out 5. how long the contract lasted for 6. whether the contract was advertised on e-tenders A breakdown of how what each department spent on consultants in 2016, 2015 and 2014	Journalist	Refusal under Section 15(d)	
6 2017	16/01/2017	Records of annual inspection of footpaths (2013, 2014 & 2015)	Client	Refusal under Section 15(1)(a)	17/01/2017
7 2017	26/01/2017	1. A list of external legal practitioners paid in 2015 for services carried out on behalf of the Council, including the name of the practitioner, the sum paid &, where possible, a general description of the work carried out. 2. The same as above for 2016 also.	Journalist	Grant	22/02/2017

8 2017	30/01/2017	<p>1. the amount of houses rented through the HAP Scheme in Louth, from Oct 14 - present.</p> <p>2. the amount of inspections carried out on houses rented through the HAP Scheme in Louth from Oct 14 - present.</p> <p>3.The date of the first HAP house inspection carried out in Louth, since 1/10/14.</p> <p>4. the date of the most recent HAP house inspection carried out in Louth, since 01/10/14.</p> <p>5. the amount of properties that did not meet required standards under the HAP Scheme in Louth, from 01/10/14.</p> <p>6. How many complaints were made by tenants in HAP homes in Louth, from 01/10/14 to present.</p> <p>7. What complaints or types of complaints were made by tenants in HAP homes in Louth, from 01/10/14 to present.</p> <p>8. how many people have been employed / assigned to carry out inspections on HAP homes in Louth, from 01/10/14 to present</p>	Client	Grant	27/02/2017
9 2017	07/02/2017	Housing - no. applicants on housing list, transfer list. Budget of Part V fund for 2017. How many homeless presenting in Louth incl no. of dependents, amount of funding sought from DECLG/DHPLG to provide homeless accomm in 2016 & to date in 2017. No. social housing units commenced from Jan 2015 to date. No. approvals sought from DECLG/DHPLG for social housing construction. No. vacant social housing units owned by lcc in 2017. Stats on average time for LCC to return vacant social housing unit back to use. No applicants on Incremental Purchase Scheme to date & reasons given to applicants for refusing their application.	Oireachtas	Grant	27/02/2017
10 2017	06/02/2017	A copy of all the records relating to the assessment of pedestrian, cyclist and motorists movement volumes used to input to the decision making in relation to planning application 15697	Client	Refusal under Section 15(1)(a)	06/03/2017
11 2017	07/02/2017	Breakdown of numbers of Dundalk residents, non Dundalk residents, local residents & non-local residents, foreign nationals, multiple & single applications housed by LCC & refused by LCC from 2004 to date. No. of offers received from NAMA in relation to Section 4B & the number of refusals to NAMA in relation to Section 4B by LCC.	Client	Grant	27/02/2017

12 2017	10/02/2017	All records held by LCC relating to materials provided from Mullagh Quarries, Bellewstown, County Louth to include all communications between LCC and Mullagh Quarries relating to pyrite, since January 2008.	Client	Grant	27/02/2017
14 2017	08/02/2017	I'm advised that all public roads have a Road Number. What is this number is and copies all correspondence held on file by Louth Council relating to this road for the past six years, including all monies allocated and spent on this road which are recorded on the Pavement Management System.	Client	Part Grant	30/05/2017
16 2017	23/02/2017	What environmentalists findings were found when visiting premises at Termonfeckin to test for the presence of Glyphosate found in Roundup in February 2017	Journalist	Grant	13/03/2017
17/2017	28/02/2017	<p>1 - Please provide the number of staff retained by the Council at 31st Dec 2015</p> <p>2 - Please provide the number of staff retained by the Council at 31st Dec 2016</p> <p>3 – Provide the number of staff that died in service during 2015</p> <p>4 – Provide the number of staff that died in service during 2016</p> <p>(The cause of death will not be requested)</p> <p>5 – Number of staff that Retired during 2015</p> <p>6 – Number of staff that Retired during 2016</p> <p>(This value to be based on quantity of Pensions that commenced during the relevant year, regardless of when staff may have left work)</p> <p>7 – Based on the value at Query 5 above, the number that received pension contributions including Added Years on the grounds of illness or infirmity in 2015</p> <p>8 – Based on the value at Query 6 above, the number that received pension contributions including Added Years on the grounds of illness or infirmity in 2016</p> <p>(Added Years for Professional Service are excluded. Any period of Added Years involving ill-health is to be included)</p>	Other	Grant	24/03/2017
18/2017	08/03/2010 8/03/2017	Numerous emails and reports relating to meetings, emails, FOI requests etc. relating to puppy farms, puppy trade etc.	Business interest	Refusal under Section 27	
19/2017	13/03/2017	Animal Compound statistics	Journalist	Part Grant	21/03/2017

20/2017	16/03/2017	N2 Blakestown Cross to Funshog Road Scheme tender procedure	Business interest		12/04/2017
21/2017	16/03/2017	Seacrest Manor Planning Application 03/144 (11/09/03)	Client	Refusal under Section 15(1)(a)	10/04/2017
22/2017	23/03/2017	The number of stray dogs seized within the local authority area for each year between 2013 and 2016. The number of unattached dogs euthanised within the local authority area for each year between 2013 and 2016. The number of stray horses seized within the local authority area for each year between 2013 and 2016 The number of unattached horses euthanised within the local authority area for each year between 2013 and 2016	Journalist	Part Grant	24/03/2017
23/2017	28/03/2017	Taking in charge of Lennonstown Manor, Red Barns Road, Dundalk	Councillor	Grant	26/04/2017
27/2017	11/04/2017	Total amount paid to staff of the Fire Services. Information to be broken down into categories displaying the number of staff paid, normal salary paid, overtime and number of hours worked in respect of overtime	Journalist	Grant	11/05/2017
28/2017	24/04/2017	A list of all staff, Councillors, spouses or partners who travelled abroad for St. Patrick's Day 2017 on official council business. * A table of costs associated with their travel to include flights, hotel, transport, entertainment, gifts, dining, subsistence and all other related expenditure. * Copies of actual invoices/receipts relating to all the above	Journalist	Part Grant	24/05/2017
30/2017	23/04/2017	Various questions in relation to Planning Refs: 051442, 12100 & 16719	Client	Part Grant	15/05/2017
31/2017	03/05/2017	Unauthorised use of the property in Currabeg Industrial Estate by a company. Requesting all documents & records held by this authority relating to the property occupied by this company in Currabeg Industrial Estate.	Client	Refusal under Section 35(1)(a)	17/05/2017

35/2017	11/05/2017	All information pertaining to Planning Permission 16119 with regard to site notices:- 1. Where they were placed 2. When they were placed 3. Copies of notices 4. How many were placed 5. Names of papers where notices were placed 6. Copies of newspaper notices	Client	Refusal under Section 15(1)(a)	19/05/2017
36/2017	11/05/2017	All information pertaining to Planning Permission 16119 with regard to site notices:- 1. Where they were placed 2. When they were placed 3. Copies of notices 4. How many were placed 5. Names of papers where notices were placed 6. Copies of newspaper notices	Client	Refusal under Section 15(1)(a)	19/05/2017
37/2017	17/05/2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A list of cemeteries under the control of the county, and the income generated by the sale of grave plots for the years 2014, 2015, 2016 &amp; 2017 to date.</li> <li>• A list of crematoria under the control of the county, and the income generated by cremations for the years 2014, 2015, 2016 &amp; 2017 to date</li> </ul>	Journalist	Part Grant	09/06/2017
39/2017	24/05/2017	Details of all retirement gratuities paid to former councillors between March 30, 2016 and May 23, 2017 including name and the sum paid to the former councillor.	Journalist	Grant	30/05/2017
41/2017	26/05/2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Most up to date under of applicants for social housing currently registered with your local authority.</li> <li>▪ The most up to date number of vacant social housing units in your county.</li> </ul>	Oireachtas	Grant	06/06/2017
42 2017	31/05/2017	All documentation, reports and photographs relating to any inspections that have been carried out on premises belonging to Oliver Thompson at Flurry Bridge, Dromad, Co. Louth from 2000 to the present date	Solicitor	Part Grant	28/06/2017
44 2017	22/05/2017	List of playgrounds in the County	Other	Grant	12/06/2017

47 2017	20/06/2017	<p>Records, relating to compliance by Louth County Council and the developer of Condition 31 of Bord Pleanala decision PL 15.230807 including but not restricted to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Correspondence between LCC &amp; the developer and/or agents for the developer</li> <li>- Accounts of meetings between LCC &amp; the developer and/or agents for the developer</li> <li>- Accounts of meetings within LCC</li> <li>- The arrangement agreed between LCC &amp; the developer</li> </ul> <p>Records, relating to compliance by LCC and the developer of Condition 32 of Bord Pleanala decision PL 15.230807 including but not restricted to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Correspondence between LCC &amp; the developer and/or agents for the developer</li> <li>- Accounts of meetings between LCC &amp; the developer and/or agents for the developer</li> <li>- Accounts of meetings within LCC</li> <li>- The arrangement agreed between LCC &amp; the developer</li> </ul>	Other	Grant	14/07/2017
49/2017	20/06/2017	How many Local Authority mortgages were approved and granted by LCC in years 2016, 2015, 2014 and 2013	Other	Grant	17/07/2017
50 2017	21/06/2017	Copies of any reps received from members of the Oireachtas opposing the granting of planning permission for new developments of housing, apartments, social housing etc for the period 01/01/15 to date	Other	Refusal under Section 15(1)(d)	17/07/2017
53 2017	27/06/2017	The number of Building Control cases taken by the local authority between 2016 and 2010. The number of planning enforcement orders enacted by the local authority between 2016 and 2010	Other	Part Grant	14/08/2017

57 2017	10/07/2017	<p>An email dated 15/12/2015 references a meeting between the DAFM, ISPCA, DPSCA and LAVs on, amongst other issues, puppy farms and puppy trade export. Please provide a copy of these minutes.</p> <p>Please provide all correspondence in which LCC was involved in relation to the issuing of an invitation to a third party, also a copy of the "low level document/letter of comfort"; copies of the minutes from a dog meeting group where LCC intended to discuss the document referenced above; all correspondence from 2015 to date between LCC and a third party. We note that much of this information should have been made public by way of the Lobbying Act.</p>	Other	Refusal under Section 15(1)(g)	24/07/2017
58 2017	11/07/2017	<p>Information for any competitions for Fire Officer in last 2 years.</p> <p>No. of applications received for the post.</p> <p>No. of people invited for interview for the post.</p> <p>No. of people interviewed.</p> <p>No. of people panelled.</p> <p>Heading under which scores were given.</p> <p>The pass mark for each heading.</p> <p>The overall scores for each of the successful candidate.</p> <p>Years of relevant experience of each successful candidate.</p> <p>The breakdown by gender for each stage of the selection process.</p>	Other	Part Grant	24/07/2017
59 2017	11/07/2017	<p>An email dated 1512/2015 references a meeting between the DAFM, ISPCA, DPSCA and LAVs on, amongst other issues, puppy farms and puppy trade export. Please provide a copy of these minutes.</p> <p>Please provide all correspondence in which LCC was involved in relation to the issuing of an invitation to a third party, also a copy of the "low level document/letter of comfort"; copies of the minutes from a dog meeting group where LCC intended to discuss the document referenced above; all correspondence from 2015 to date between LCC and a third party. We note that much of this information should have been made public by way of the Lobbying Act.</p>	Other	Refusal under Section 15(1)(g)	24/07/2017

60 2017	12/07/2017	On 19/05/16 there was an email between LCC and LGMA referencing a DBE Group meeting, please provide a copy of these minutes .	Other	Refusal under Section 15(1)(g)	24/07/2017
61 2017	12/07/2017	Provide information on the following:- correspondence between LCC and the ISPCA in Sept 2016; correspondence LCC had with any Local Authority Vets or the Dept. Of Housing regarding this exchange; copies of all documents relating to FOI requests from counties other than Louth and Depts (such as the Dept of Housing) relating to Dog Breeding Establishments which have been forwarded on to LCC & please provide LCC'S responses.	Other	refusal	24/07/2017
62 2017	12/07/2017	Details of an email dated 05/10/16 from LCC to local Authority Vets; correspondence that LCC has had with the DAFM, other LAV's, Dept of Housing & DARDNI regarding the BALAI directive. Copy of a letter from Canine Breeders Ireland (CBI) to all county managers; correspondence between CBI and LCC;	Other	Refusal under Section 15(1)(g)	24/07/2017
63 2017	12/07/2017	Email dated 13/10/2016 between LCC & LGMA; copies of all correspondence between LCC & the Department of Housing regarding the request for information from the requester, Dept of Housing.	Other	Refusal under Section 15(1)(g)	24/07/2017
65 2017	13/07/2017	Email dated 14/12/2015 between Dept of Agriculture etc. to LCC re a north-south meeting about puppy farms. Please provide minutes from this meeting.	Other	Refusal under Section 15(1)(g)	24/07/2017
66 2017	13/07/2017	Email dated 12/01/16 between LGMA - copy of letter relating to inspections of DBEs, please provide a copy of this letter	Other	Refusal under Section 15(1)(g)	24/07/2017
67 2017	13/07/2017	Provide a copy of the document that CBI presented to LCC at a meeting held with them on 29/06/17	Other	Refusal under Section 15(1)(g)	24/07/2017
68 2017	14/07/2017	Email dated 06/01/16 between LCC and LGMA. Please provide the three attachments referred to in this email.	Other	Refusal under Section 15(1)(g)	24/07/2017

69 2017	14/07/2017	Email dated 03/03/16 between LCC and LGMA relating to an FOI by the Sunday Independent: Please provide all correspondence between Louth Co Co and any other local authorities, Dept of Agriculture and Marine, Dept of Housing which discuss this request and how to respond to it. Please provide all correspondence with the Dept of Housing about the issuing of a sectoral response or direction and file notes of any conversations. Please provide any correspondence from anyone within or outside of Louth Co Co about the coordination of responses to FOIs. Please provide correspondence from within Louth Co Co between the FOI Officer and staff relating to the refusal of information to the Sunday Independent.	Other	Refusal under Section 15(1)(g)	24/07/2017
72 2017	20/07/2017	Copy extract from the register required to be maintained by the council pursuant to Part IV of the Building Regs 1997, including particulars of all enforcement notices issued pursuant to the Building Control Act 1990, together with details of any District Court orders made in respect of all such enforcement notices, for the period from 01/01/12 to date.	Other	Refusal under Section 15(1)(d)	16/08/2017
74 2017	25/07/2017	The amount of money spent by the council on emergency repair works on local and regional roads in each of the last five years (2012-2016 inclusive)	journalist	Grant	29/08/2017
75 2017	31/07/2017	Fire Safety Certs and Disability Access Certs for Dunnes Stores Drogheda - See file for further detail	Law Firm	Refusal under Section 15(1)(d)	28/08/2017
77 2017	31/07/2017	All records relating to water supply at a property in Dundalk	Client		24/08/2017
78 2017	24/07/2017	Housing of known criminals by LCC	Other	Refusal under Section 15(1)(a)	21/08/2017
80 2017	17/08/2017	The number of reported incidents of assaults on verbal abuse towards traffic wardens who issue fines from 01/01/17 to 01/08/17 broken down by month. Details of each of the incidents, to include date, location and specifics of the altercation	Journalist	Part Grant	11/09/2017

81 2017	05/09/2017	Inspections of private rented accommodation. Inspection targets during 2016 & 2017. No. of inspection reports made available to tenants during 2016. No. of prohibition notices issued during 2016 re private rented properties. No. of dwellings inspected by Co. during 2016. How many were found to be non-compliant with regs for standards in private rented accommodation. No. inspected during 2016 as proportion of total no. of registered tenancies in Louth. Average duration per inspection. Average cost per inspection. No of properties inspected proactively. Most common reasons for non compliance. No. of follow-up inspections carried out in 2016. No. of improvement notices issued in relation to private rented properties. Number of prosecutions in respect of non compliance with regs for standards in private rented accom. Details of any written policy or operation manual for undertaking inspections in the rented sector.	Journalist	Section 15(1)(d)	DEEMED A REFUSAL
82 2017	25/08/2017	Records in respect of the traffic light system governing the junction at Fair Green/Georges Street/Fair Street, Drogheda on 22/08/2015	Solicitor	Part Grant	20/09/2017
83 2017	31/08/2017	Records in relation to property at Kelso Terrace repairs under Built Heritage Investment Scheme	Other	Part Grant	19/09/2017
87 2017	11/09/2017	Copies of all documents which were created in the process of deciding to and in implementing the decision to refurbish the Market Square which project resulted in the present layout of and finish to the Square including the giant television screen	Other	Refusal under Section 15(1)(c)	05/10/2017
89 2017	11/09/2017	All records and docs relating to the making of Louth County Development Plan 2015-2021...	Other	Part Grant	
91 2017	12/09/2017	Any document stating the number of people in county council run emergency accommodation from the period beginning August 2016 up to and including August 2017	Journalist		
94 2017	15/09/2017	An itemised list of all travel outside of the State expensed by Councillors for the years 2014, 2015, 2016, and the first six months of 2017 - to include, the cost of travel, the duration of the stay, the date of the travel, the purpose of travel (if known)	Journalist	Grant	12/10/2017

97 2017	26/092017	1. The number of properties in LCC in which tenants received payments under the HAP and RAS schemes in 2016. The no. of these properties for 2016 for clarity we are referring to properties in which tenants received payments under the HAP and RAS schemes in 2016, which were ever inspected at any point by the Council? 3. The no. of these properties in 2016 which were never inspected at any point by the Council? 4. The no. of these properties which were inspected and found to be non-compliant with standards but continued to be the subject of rent support payments under the HAP and RAS schemes in 2016?	Other		26/10/2017
98 2017	27/09/2017	Slaughterhouses - information on non-compliance	Other	Grant	23/10/2017
100 2017	27/09/2017	Slaughterhouses - details of incidents etc.	Other	Refusal under Section 15(1)(a)	23/10/2017
102 2017	09/10/2017	All memos and management letters sent between the local government auditor and the council chief executive between 1st July 2016 and 1st October 2017	Journalist	Part Grant	06/11/2017
104 2017	11/10/2017	A figure for the cost to the council of the Narrow Water Bridge project to date.	Journalist	Grant	25/10/2017
105 2017	10/10/2017	A copy of the following documents (or documents containing the following information) be provided: records, including emails, correspondence, minutes of meetings and any other relevant documents, relating to the identification of any and all sites in the Council area that have imposed fines on the excavation of Japanese knotweed. I also request all records, including emails, correspondence, minutes of meetings and any other relevant documents, relating to the sites county wide that have clearly labelled signs saying it is forbidden to excavate knotweed. I also request all records, including emails, correspondence, minutes of meetings and any other relevant documents, relating to discussions with the Department of Environment on how many of the fines imposed have been unpaid by the offending party.	Other	Refusal under Section 15(1)(a)	07/11/2017
108 2017	19/10/2017	All information held in relation to the last road surfacing works, previous accidents, roadworks, maintenance, amendments to the road service at the L70551 intersection on the R173 Omeath Carlingford Road at Ballyoonan, Co. Louth from 01/07/12 to date in relation to my road traffic accident, on 12/02/16 on the Omeath to Carlingford Road at Ballyroonan, Co. Louth	Client	Refusal under Section 15(1)(a)	15/11/2017

109 2017	19/10/2017	A copy of the following documents, Licence granted to Virgin Media / KN Networks for the installation of Fibre Broadband, specification of materials and workmanship to be used for the repair of footpaths, inspection reports carried out by LCC or inspectors appointed by LCC of remedial work completed, specification of concrete and workmanship, cleaning of site when work is complete	Client	Part Grant	01/12/2017
110 2017	26/10/2017	A detailed breakdown of the expenditure for each foreign trip undertaken by a councillor plus council delegation in 2016 and 2017 to include: names of who went on each trip, reason for the trip, the cost of each trip and a breakdown of costs for each trip to include accommodation, travel, subsistence as well as copies of any receipts.	journalist	grant	23/11/2017
111 2017	27/10/2017	The number of applicants on the housing list Average waiting time for a family or single person on the list. The type of families on the list, such as one parent family, nuclear family etc.	Client	Grant	16/11/2017
113 2017	31/10/2017	Copies of all valuations for all property acquisitions and disposals which were made by the various local authorities in County Louth since 1st January 1997	Client	Refusal	16/11/2017
115/ 2017	25/10/2017	Copies of the following documents containing the following information] be provided: records, including emails, correspondence, minutes of meetings and any other relevant documents, relating to the identification of any sites in the Council area that have imposed fines on the cutting of Japanese knotweed in the last 12 months. I also request all records, including emails, correspondence, minutes of meetings and any other relevant documents, relating to discussions with the Department of Evironment on how many of the fines imposed have been unpaid by the offending party in the last 12 months.	Client	Refusal under Section 15(1)(c)	15/11/2017
116 2017	03/11/2017	A detailed list of reasons why people are refusing social housing for 2016 and up to October 2017. The total number of refusals for each of the years concerned. A list of areas where refusals occurred.	Journalist	Grant	24/11/2017

117 2017	02/11/2017	Meeting attendance record for all Louth County Councillors	Student	Refusal under Section 15(2)	07/11/2017
119 2017	09/11/2017	The number of roads awaiting repair in the main urban areas of Louth (i.e. Dundalk and Drogheda) as of 1st November 2017 (or the latest date you have on record)	Student	Refusal under Section 15(1)(c)	05/12/2017
120 2017	10/11/2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The name of all housing estates constructed in your area between the years 1st January, 2000 to 1st January, 2005.</li> <li>• If possible you might let us know the number of constructions (units) in each estate.</li> </ul>	Business Interest	Refusal under Section 15(1)(a)	27/11/2017