

FOI Request (received 03 October 2022) - Reference: DFI/2022-0327

Please can you provide copies of all information your organisation holds on Saintfield Masonic Hall regarding an ongoing complaint with Northern Ireland Water please?

Response (issued 27 October 2022)

Thank you for your email dated 3rd October 2022 requesting information held by the Department, under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI). You requested the following:

- *copies of all information your organisation holds on Saintfield Masonic Hall regarding an ongoing complaint with Northern Ireland Water*

In response to your request, I can confirm that the Department for Infrastructure does hold information related to your request. As FOI relates to public rights of access to information, I must consider whether information is suitable for release to the world at large, and not solely to the applicant. I have examined the information you requested and carried out a public interest test to determine whether this information is suitable for release to the public.

Following consideration of the public interest in this case, I attach all information held that is suitable for disclosure to the public. However, I have determined that some of the requested information is not suitable for release and the attached records have been redacted for the following reason.

The redacted information constitutes third party personal data within the meaning of the Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA). A public authority may only release third party personal data if to do so would be fair, lawful and would meet the conditions in Schedule 2, 3 or 4 of the DPA. The Department may not disclose personal information to the public in contravention of any of the data protection principles (Article 5(1) UK General Data Protection Regulation or sections 34(1) and 85(1) DPA) and must consider all consequences of disclosure in each case.

The information provided has therefore been redacted under the exemption provided under FOI by Section 40: personal information. I am satisfied that the public interest is best served by withholding this information.

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