

## **EIR Request (received 13 October 2022) - Reference: DFI/2022-0340**

I would like to request the following information

The number of requests and the details of any request or permits to carry out roadworks, openings or work to verges or similar activity i.e. temporary access points for property on the Moneyslane Road, Ballyward, Castlewellan, Co Down, BT31 9PZ.

I am only interested in the period from 1/10/21 to 31/12/21

## **Response (issued 10 November 2022)**

Thank you for your email dated 13 October 2022 requesting information held by the Department, under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI). You requested the following:

*The number of requests and the details of any request or permits to carry out roadworks, openings or work to verges or similar activity, i.e. temporary access points, for property on the Moneyslane Road, Ballyward, Castlewellan, Co Down BT31 9PZ for the period 1/10/21 to 31/12/21.*

In considering your request on behalf of the Department I have determined that the information requested falls under the Environment Information Regulations 2004 (EIR), as opposed to FoI. Section 39 of the Freedom of Information Act specifically excludes from consideration under that Act requests for what is deemed to be environmental information. EIR gives rights of public access environmental information held by public authorities.

A guide explaining the Environmental Information Regulations can be found at:

<https://ico.org.uk/for-organisations/guide-to-the-environmental-information-regulations/what-are-the-eir/>.

In response to your request, I can advise that the Department for Infrastructure does not appear to hold any information relating specifically to the named address on the Moneyslane Road, Ballyward for the period 1/10/21 to 31/12/21.