



13 March 2025

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**Re: AIE request 054-2023**

Dear Mr Glover,

I refer to the request you made under the European Communities (Access to Information on the Environment) Regulations 2007 to 2018 (S.I. No. 133 of 2007, S.I. No. 662 of 2011, S.I. 615 of 2014 and S.I. No. 309 of 2018) (hereafter referred to as the AIE Regulations) for access to information held by the National Parks and Wildlife Service relating to:

- *Agenda and minutes for the years 2017 to 2023 (to date)*
- *Reports to the Minister for the same period*

As you will be aware, the Office of the Information Commissioner reviewed the decision case number OCE-139328-M4W5V4 and recommended that the Department should provide a new internal review decision.

**Result of the internal review of this decision**

I was assigned to review your request. I made a decision on this review on 11 March 2025. I have examined the records relevant to this request. I have decided that the decision made by the initial decision-maker should be varied as follows: to Partially release records.

A number of records that fell within the scope of your request were the subject of third party consultation under Article 7(11) of the AIE Regulations. Following this consultation, I have decided on 11 March 2025 that the information in question should not be released under Article 8(a)(i). In respect of each record I have weighed the public interest served by disclosure against the interest served by refusal and it is my decision that the public interest does not in this case outweigh the potential adverse effects on the interests of the third party of releasing the information. I have decided you should be granted partial access to these records with some information redacted by reason of Article 8(a)(i) – personal information relating to a third party, and I attach these records.

**Schedule of records**

I have attached an amended schedule of records with this letter. This lists the records that I consider relevant to your request. It provides a brief description of each record and the decision I have made on each record. Where I have decided to refuse or partially refuse access to a record, it specifies the Article of the AIE Regulations under which this refusal



has been made. For these records, it also records how I have applied the public interest test pursuant to Article 10(3) and 10(4).

**Emissions** [where information is refused under Article 8 and/or 9(1)(c)]

In reaching the above decision and where information has been refused under Article 8 and/or 9(1)(c), I have in accordance with Article 10(1), examined whether your request relates to information on emissions into the environment and have determined that it does not.

**Public interest test**

Furthermore, in relation to the redactions, in accordance with Article 10(3) and 10(4) I have weighed the public interest served by disclosure against the interest served by refusal of your request. I have determined that the public interest would not be served by disclosing the information redacted which you request.

**Right of Appeal**

In accordance with Article 12(3) of the AIE Regulations you may appeal this decision to the Commissioner for Environmental Information. If you wish to appeal, you must do so, within one month of receipt of this notification, to:

The Office of the Commissioner for Environmental Information,  
6 Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2, D02 W773.  
Phone: +353-1-639 5689  
Email: [info@ocei.ie](mailto:info@ocei.ie)

It is also possible to appeal online, see the website of the Commissioner for further details <https://www.ocei.ie/>. The fee for such an appeal is €50 or €15 if you are the holder of a medical card or the dependent of the holder of a medical card.

**Contact details**

Please contact my colleague, on email [lorna.conway@npws.gov.ie](mailto:lorna.conway@npws.gov.ie), if I can assist you in any matter relating to your request.

Yours sincerely,

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