FOI Request (received 09 December 2022) - Reference: DFI/2022-0434

Under the protection of the FOIA act please provide me with the following List of Information,

- 1. Full list of All employees at the Infrastructure department
- 2. Total Wages Bill and Running Costs
- 3. Full List of LIVE PFI Projects and Monthly Bill.

Response (issued 12 January 2023)

The Department can respond as follows:

1. Full list of all Departmental employees:

The requested information is withheld under the exemption provided under Freedom of Information Act 2000 s40(2): personal information. I am satisfied that the public interest is best served by withholding this information. The staff number details can be found in the Annual Report and Accounts Page 74: <u>Dfl Annual Report and Accounts 2021-2022</u>

2. Total Wages Bill and Running Costs:

The following costs are for the 12 months ended March 2022:

- staff costs (which includes social security and pension costs) £100M (page 72 of accounts); and
- operating expenditure (including grants) £1,063M (page 125 of accounts)
- 3. Full list of PFI projects and monthly bill: The Department has two PFI contracts to Design, Build, Finance and Operate the following road projects:
 - M1/Westlink upgrade;
 - Grosvenor Road;
 - M2 Crosskennan slip roads at Antrim Hospital;
 - M2 widening between Sandyknowes and Greencastle;
 - Operation and maintenance of 65km of the motorway/trunk road network;
 - A1 dualling between Beech Hill and Cloghogue;
 - Improving the safety junctions on the A1;
 - A4 dualling between Dungannon and Ballygawley;

- Improving A4 Annaghilla and A5 at Tullyvar; and
- Operation and maintenance of 125km of the motorway/trunk roads network.

The monthly average bill for the year ended March 2022 was £4.46M (£53.5M annually). This includes loan repayments, service costs and interest costs.

This information is detailed in the Department's Annual Report and Accounts at pages 125 and 142.

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