

## **EIR Request (received 20 December 2022) - Reference: DFI/2022-0444**

Would it be possible to also request, in a follow up to DFI/2022-0415, the statistics for how many Penalty Charge Notices/fines were paid at £90 and then the subsequent £135 please?

### **Response (issued 19 January 2023)**

I refer to your email received on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2022 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act relating to Penalty Charge Notices (PCNs) paid at £90 and at £135 since 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021.

In considering your request on behalf of the Department, I have determined that the information requested falls under the aegis of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004, as opposed to the FOI Act 2000.

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

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

The information you have requested is set out in the table below by Council areas covering the period 1st Nov 2021 through to 30th Nov 2022. For convenience, I have also included the information you previously requested (DFI 2022-041 refers). As some time has passed since your original FOI request the figures in the table are slightly different reflecting payments received in the interim period.

<b>Councils</b>	<b>Total PCNs issued<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>PCNs paid at £45 within 14 days</b>	<b>PCNs paid at £45<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>PCNs paid at £90</b>	<b>PCNs paid at £135</b>	<b>PCNs still live<sup>3</sup></b>
Antrim & Newtownabbey <sup>4</sup>	1248	864	947	72	18	211
Ards and North Down	8467	6142	6605	532	168	1162
Armagh, Banbridge & Craigavon	8096	5369	5808	610	161	1517
Belfast	66054	41990	46044	5936	1319	12755
Causeway Coast & Glens <sup>4</sup>	4780	3240	3471	297	100	912
Derry & Strabane	13904	7948	8568	1056	334	3946
Fermanagh & Omagh	9335	5876	6380	685	199	2071
Lisburn & Castlereagh	6145	4181	4561	436	101	1047
Mid & East Antrim	6389	4394	4749	396	126	1118
Mid Ulster	6141	4047	4360	429	134	1218

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Newry, Mourne & Down	10011	6336	6925	764	222	2100

<sup>1</sup>Total PCNs issued removing those that have been cancelled e.g., due to a successful challenge

<sup>2</sup>Total PCNs paid at £45 including those paid outside the 14-day window due to an extension to the 14 day 50% discount period to allow for proper consideration of their challenge

<sup>3</sup>This includes PCNs where no payment has yet been made e.g. PCNs that have yet to fully progress through the challenge/Representation/Appeals stages

<sup>4</sup>On-street Parking only

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