

EIR Request (received 26 January 2023) - Reference: DFI/2023-0029

Under the freedom of information act provisions I would like to know:

1. how many complaints if any Dfi Roads Service have received in relation to a speed bump located on the Strabane Old Road in Derry which has recently had works carried out to it by water service contractors laying new pipes on the road.
2. how many claims if any the department have received from motorists for damage to their vehicles caused by this speed bump.

The speed bump in question is located adjacent to 166 Strabane Old Road, Derry BT47 2EJ on the opposite side of the road as traffic travels towards the Woodside Road.

Response (issued 21 February 2023)

Thank you for your email dated 26th January requesting, under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI), the following information held by the Department:

1. *how many complaints if any Dfi Roads Service have received in relation to a speed bump located on the Strabane Old Road in Derry which has recently had works carried out to it by water service contractors laying new pipes on the road.*
2. *how many claims if any the department have received from motorists for damage to their vehicles caused by this speed bump.*

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 (EIR), as opposed to Freedom of Information Act 2000. Your request is for information that relates to activities, policies or plans that affect the environment. Section 39 of the Freedom of Information Act specifically excludes from consideration under that Act requests for what is deemed to be environmental information.

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 confirm that the Department does hold information relating to your request and, being suitable for disclosure, I can advise as follows:

1. no complaints have been received. Your separate online report of changes to the speed bump, following work to replace a watermain, is being treated as a normal line of business query.; and
2. I can confirm that the Department for Infrastructure has not received any claims for damage to vehicles allegedly caused by the traffic calming ramp situated at 166 Strabane Old Road, Derry.

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