

EIR Request (received 11 February 2019) - Reference: DFI/2019-0055

The Review of Mineral Planning Permissions (ROMPs), is contained within the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011.

To date this legislation has not been commenced in Northern Ireland.

Since January 2016 until today 11th of February 2019:

Which Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs), Individuals, Government Departments, Elected Members (MPs, MLAs, MEPs or Councillors), Trade Bodies or Companies have lobbied or requested the Department for Infrastructure not to commence the enactment, or to delay the enactment of this legislation.

Response (issued 07 March 2019)

Thank you for your email dated 11 February 2019 requesting, under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, and information held by this office to include the above.

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, from January 2016 to 11 February 2019, none of those referred to in your email have lobbied or requested the Department (DFI) not to commence the enactment, or to delay the enactment of this legislation i.e. legislation for the Review of Mineral Planning Permissions.

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