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Ref: FOI / 6463

07th July 2026

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request - Costs Related to the Mayor's Official Car

I refer to your FOI request and respond as follows:

Q. I would like to know how much it costs Rate Payers to run the Mayor's official car for a year and why can't it be a smaller vehicle.

A. The total costs for Mayoral vehicles (2 no.) in the 2025/6 year were £17,362.20. This includes vehicle lease costs, fuel insurance etc.

The specification of the vehicle reflects the role of the Mayor and operational requirements.

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have rights of review and appeal; these rights consist of two review processes.

Firstly, our internal review procedure is available by contacting:

John Kelpie
Chief Executive
Derry City and Strabane District Council
98 Strand Road
Derry BT48 7NN
Tel: 028 71253253 or email: john.kelpie@derrystrabane.com

Secondly, you can appeal directly by contacting the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
CHESHIRE SK9 5AF
Tel: 0303 123 1113 (local rate) or email: casework@ico.org.uk

I would however advise that the Information Commissioner has indicated that a review will not be undertaken unless the Council has first had an opportunity to re-consider its decision.

Yours sincerely

Ellen Cavanagh
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