

Ref: EIR / 6335

24<sup>th</sup> April 2026

**Environmental Information Regulations Request - Climate Awareness Training for Senior Councillors and Staff**

I refer to your EIR request and respond as follows:

**I would like information about your council's climate awareness training in relation to climate action for the Council Climate Action Scorecards. This information may be held by the HR department or other departments that organise staff training.**

**In particular, please supply me with information relating to the following questions:**

- 1. Have all senior management received climate awareness training, including Carbon Literacy, Climate Fresque or equivalent, before 30th June 2026? Please state the type of training.**

**We are seeking information for senior managers who have had climate awareness training that has taken place since 1st January 2015 and up until 30th June 2026. We define senior management as including all Chief Executives, deputy Chief Executives and Directors or Heads of Departments, or equivalents, depending on what each council calls them.**

Senior Management have completed accredited Carbon Literacy Training including Council directors and heads of departments. A total of 33 staff have completed Carbon Literacy training facilitated by Climate Northern Ireland since 2021.

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**2. Have all current councillors in the cabinet or committee chairs received climate awareness training, including Carbon Literacy, Climate Fresque, or equivalent, since being elected? Please state the type of training.**

Elected members have received in house climate awareness training – this includes regular briefings on climate policy, climate risk and climate action. Annual briefings are held with the All-Party Climate Emergency Working Group members (approx. 8 each year)

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  
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Tel: 028 71253253 or email: [john.kelpie@derrystrabane.com](mailto:john.kelpie@derrystrabane.com)

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

Information Commissioner  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
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CHESHIRE SK9 5AF  
Tel: 0303 123 1113 (local rate) or email: [casework@ico.org.uk](mailto: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 reconsider its decision.

Yours sincerely

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