

Ref: EIR / 6188

02nd February 2026

Environmental Information Regulations Request - Anaerobic Digestion Planning Applications

Thank you for your email dated 6th January 2026, requesting the following information.

Request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I am writing to request the following information for the period April 2020 to December 2025.

1. The number of planning applications and associated planning reference numbers for all anaerobic digestion facilities within your council area.
2. Details of any local planning policies, guidance, or supplementary documents relating specifically to anaerobic digestion.
3. The number of planning applications for anaerobic digestion facilities within County Derry/Londonderry, including associated planning reference numbers, broken down into the following categories:
 - a. Approved
 - b. Refused
 - c. Currently under consideration

For context, I am conducting research for my dissertation on the social perceptions and planning pathways of anaerobic digestion in County Tyrone and Derry/Londonderry. The information provided will be used solely for academic purposes.

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Response:

Council does hold this information and it is available for public viewing on the Planning Portal on <https://planningregister.planningsystemni.gov.uk/simple-search>

You can search "Anaerobic" and filter the results to Derry City and Strabane District Council for the dates required.

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
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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

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Principal Planning Officer