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Ref: FOI / 6524

23rd July 2026

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request - Temporary Outdoor Events Dataset

I refer to your FOI request and respond as follows:

Request

I request information relating to temporary outdoor events that have taken place, or are planned to take place, within your Council area.
Please provide information for:

- All temporary outdoor events held between 1 January 2026 and 31 December 2026.
- All temporary outdoor events currently planned, approved or licensed for 2027, where information is held by the Council.

For each event, where the information is held, please provide the following:

General Information

1. Event name.
2. Event location.
3. Event organiser.
4. Event type (e.g. music festival, sporting event, agricultural show, motorsport, food festival, Christmas market, community event, etc.).
5. Event date(s).
6. Event duration (number of days).

Attendance

7. Estimated attendance.
8. Actual attendance (where available).
9. Peak daily attendance (if recorded).

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Event Infrastructure

10. Whether temporary portable toilets were provided.
11. Number of portable toilets.
12. Number of accessible portable toilets.
13. Number of food vendors or catering outlets.
14. Number of licensed bars or alcohol sales points.
15. Number of entertainment stages or performance areas.
16. Number of attractions, exhibitors, market stalls or traders.
17. Number of first aid posts or medical facilities.
18. Number of public entrances and exits (if recorded).

Site Information

19. Estimated event site size (hectares, square metres or other recorded measurement).
20. Whether camping facilities were provided.
21. Whether park-and-ride or shuttle transport was provided.

Supporting Information

22. If available, please provide copies of any publicly releasable event management plans, site plans, traffic management plans or licensing documents associated with the event.

Response

Please see the information requested attached.

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

Jaqueline Whoriskey
Head of Culture

Event Name	Event Location	Event Organiser	Event Type	Event Date(s)	Duration (Days)	Estimated Attendance	Actual Attendance	Peak Daily Attendance	Portable Toilets Provided (Y/N)	No. of Portable Toilets	No. of Accessible Portable Toilets	No. of Food Vendors/Catering Outlets	No. of Licensed Bars/Alcohol Sales Points	No. of Entertainment Stages/Performance Areas	No. of Attractions/Exhibitors/Stalls/Traders	No. of First Aid Posts/Medical Facilities	No. of Public Entrances/Exits	Site Size (Approximate Measurement)	Camping Facilities (Y/N)	Park & Ride/Shuttle Service (Y/N)	Information Not Held
St Patricks Day	Derry	DCSDC	Arts & Culture Festival	Annually 17th March	1	10,000-15,000	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	Y	12	3	On Average 9	N	Parade + 1 Popup Performance Area	Variable	2	N/A Parade Route + 5 City Centre Programming	21,500m²	N	N	Y
St Patricks Day	Strabane	DCSDC	Arts & Culture Festival	Annually 17th March	1	5,000-8,000	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	N	-	-	On Average 2	N	Parade	Variable	2	N/A Parade Route	Parade Route 1,850m	N	N	Y
Strabane/Lifford Half Marathon	Strabane	DCSDC	Sporting	Annually Mid May	1	2000 - 2,500	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	Y	48	8	On Average 3	N	0	Variable	14	N/A Marathon Start, Route, Finish	Marathon Route 21,097.5m	N	N	Y
North West Angling Fair	Strabane	DCSDC	Sporting	Annually April/May	2	2,000 - 3,000	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	N	-	-	On Average 1	N	0	Variable	1	1	14,000m²	N	N	Y
City of Derry Jazz Festival	Derry	DCSDC	Music	Annually May Bank Holiday Weekend	5	60,000 - 80,000	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	N	-	-	On Average 12	N	1 Main Stage + 5 Popup Street Performance Areas	Variable	1	5 City Centre Programming	City Centre 5,500m²	N	N	Y
Summer Jamm	Strabane	DCSDC	Community, Arts & Culture	Annually June	1	5,000-8,000	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	N	-	-	On Average 10	N	1 Main Stage + 1 Popup Street Performance Areas	Variable	1	6 Town Centre Programming	Town Centre 6,500m²	N	N	Y
Foyle Maritime Festival	Derry	DCSDC	Arts & Culture Maritime Heritage	Biennial July	4	100,000 - 120,000	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	Y	46 + 32 Urinals	8	On Average 65	Y	1 Main Stage + 4 Popup Performance Areas	Variable	4	6 +	57,000m²	N	Y Park & Stride	Y
Waterside Half Marathon	Derry	DCSDC	Sporting	Annually September	1	4,000 - 5,000	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	Y	53	7	On Average 3	N	0	Variable	14	N/A Marathon Start, Route, Finish	Marathon Route 21,097.5m	N	Y Park & Ride/Stride	Y
Derry Halloween	Derry	DCSDC	Community, Arts & Culture	Annually 28th - 31st October	4	100,000 - 120,000	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	Y	28	14	On Average 16	Y (TBC)	1 Main Stage +1 Parade Route	Variable	4	N/A Parade Route + 10+ City Centre Programming	78,000m²	N	Y Park & Ride/Stride	Y
Halloween Strabane	Strabane	DCSDC	Community, Arts & Culture	Annually 31st October	1	5,000-8,000	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	N	-	-	On Average 4	N	1 Main Stage + 1 Popup Street Performance Areas	Variable	1	6 Town Centre Programming	7,000m²	N	N	Y
Christmas Light Switch On Event	Derry	DCSDC	Seasonal	Annually Mid November	1	10,000-15,000	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	N	-	-	On Average 2	N	Parade + 1 Popup Performance Area	Variable	2	N/A Parade Route + 5 City Centre Programming	31,500m²	N	N	Y
Christmas Light Switch On Event	Strabane	DCSDC	Seasonal	Annually Mid November	1	5,000-8,000	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	Non Ticketed Estimated Only	N	-	-	On Average 2	N	1 Main Stage	Variable	1	6 Town Centre Programming	3,500m²	N	N	Y

Table 2: Supporting Documentation

Event Name	Event Management Plan Available (Y/N)	Site Plan Available (Y/N)	Traffic Management Plan Available (Y/N)	Exemption Applied (if applicable)	
St Patricks Day	Y Held by Council	Y Held by Council	Y Held by Council	S38(1)(b), S31(1)(a)	
Strabane/Lifford Half Marathon	Y Held by Council	Y Held by Council	Y Held by Council	S38(1)(b), S31(1)(a)	
North West Angling Fair	Y Held by Council	Y Held by Council	Y Held by Council	S38(1)(b), S31(1)(a)	
City of Derry Jazz Festival	Y Held by Council	Y Held by Council	Y Held by Council	S38(1)(b), S31(1)(a)	
Summer Jamm	Y Held by Council	Y Held by Council	Y Held by Council	S38(1)(b), S31(1)(a)	
Foyle Maritime Festival	Y Held by Council	Y Held by Council	Y Held by Council	S38(1)(b), S31(1)(a)	
Waterside Half Marathon	Y Held by Council	Y Held by Council	Y Held by Council	S38(1)(b), S31(1)(a)	
Derry Halloween	Y Held by Council	Y Held by Council	Y Held by Council	S38(1)(b), S31(1)(a)	
Halloween Strabane	Y Held by Council	Y Held by Council	Y Held by Council	S38(1)(b), S31(1)(a)	
Christmas Light Switch On Event	Y Held by Council	Y Held by Council	Y Held by Council	S38(1)(b), S31(1)(a)	

Section 38(1)(b) FOIA 2000 (Health and Safety) for Event Management Plans, Site Plans and Traffic Management Plans containing operational safety information.

Section 31(1)(a) FOIA 2000 (Law Enforcement - Prevention and Detection of Crime) where disclosure could compromise security, crowd management, access control, stewarding, emergency response arrangements, vehicle mitigation measures, or policing operations.