



Ref: FOI / 5738

02<sup>nd</sup> June 2025

Email:

Dear

## Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request - Dangerous Structures

I refer to your FOI request and respond as follows:

### 1. What is the council's procedure/ protocol for responding to reports of dangerous structures, including buildings?

The legislation used by Council generally, is the [Public Health Acts Amendment Act 1907](#), Section 30.

- Following a report of a dangerous structure, a Council officer will respond by visiting the site to determine the level of risk to the public. This will vary on a case-by-case basis. Where there is imminent danger, the area will usually be cordoned off which may involve DfI roads and PSNI.
- The Council will then engage with the property owner, as the responsible party, asking that they undertake the works required to make the property safe.
- In cases where the Council consider the owners response inadequate a formal dangerous structure notice will be issued.
- If the owner then defaults the Council may step in and carry out the work, on the basis of least cost, following which it can be recovered in line with the legislation above.

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**2. How many dangerous structures, including buildings, have been reported to the council in the years 2022,2023,2024?**

59 files were opened between 2022-2024.

**3. How many dangerous structure notices have been issued by the council in the years 2022,2023,2024?**

7 notices were issued by Council.

**4. Can you provide a list of the names/addresses of structures including buildings, which have been issued with a dangerous structure notice, in the years 2022,2023,2024?**

- Strand Road, Londonderry, BT48 7BJ
- Main Street, Newtownstewart, BT78 4AA
- Foyle Road, Londonderry, BT48 6SP
- Lower Violet Street, Clooney, Londonderry, BT47 2AR
- Duke Street, Londonderry, BT47 6DQ
- Summerhill Park, Londonderry, BT48 7TS
- Ferguson Crescent, Castlederg, BT81 7AF

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  
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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 re-consider its decision.

Yours sincerely

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