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Ref: FOI / 6540

29th July 2026

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request - "No Ball Games" Signage

I refer to your FOI request and respond as follows:

I am seeking information about no ball games signage.

No ball games signage is found in a range of settings, often parks, verges and council estates.

I would like to know:

1. **How many "no ball games", "ball games prohibited" or similarly phrased signs has the council purchased in <u>each</u> of the past 10 years;**

   Nil*

2. **How much the council spent in total on the items purchased in (1);**

   Not Applicable.

3. **How many "no ball games", "ball games prohibited" or similarly phrased signs are currently maintained by the council, if such a record exists;**

   Not Applicable.

4. **What the council's policy is on erecting "no ball games", "ball games prohibited" or similarly phrased signs, if such a policy exists.**

   Council does not have a policy in relation to this.

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* *Please note that council does not have specific signs indicating no ball games. However, there is general signage in the play parks which outlines the "dos and don'ts" and, no ball games, is integrated into the general Play park signage.*

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
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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

Colin Kennedy
Natural Environment Regeneration Manager