

Ref: FOI / 6058

16<sup>th</sup> October 2025

## **Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request - Spending on Removal of British Flags**

I refer to your FOI request and respond as follows:

- 1. How much the council has spent since 1 January 2020 on removing Union Jack / British flags from public property (for example lampposts, street furniture, or other council-owned items).**

Nil.

- 2. Which companies, contractors, or agencies carried out this work, and when.**

Not Applicable.

- 3. A breakdown of costs where available – for example, hourly or per-shift rates, block bookings, or other associated charges.**

Not Applicable.

- 4. If the work was done by council employees, please provide an estimate of staff time spent and the equivalent cost.**

Not Applicable.

Please be advised that the Department for Infrastructure may hold some of the information that you are requesting. Please see the details below for your convenience:

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/contacts/dfi-roads>

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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@derrystرابane.com](mailto:john.kelpie@derrystرابane.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](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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