

Ref: EIR / 6066

18th November 2025

Environmental Information Regulations Request - ECO4 Energy Efficiency Grant Uptake and Savings

I refer to your EIR request and respond as follows:

Request

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding the uptake of the ECO4 (Energy Company Obligation, Phase 4) scheme within your council area.

Specifically, I would like to request the following information for the most recent full financial year (and, if available, for previous years since the start of ECO4 in 2022):

1. ECO4 Grants Uptake

- The total number of households within your local authority that have received upgrades under the ECO4 scheme.
- The breakdown of these households by property type (e.g., detached, semi-detached, terraced, flat) and tenure (owner-occupied, private rented, social housing).
- The total amount of ECO4 funding distributed within your local authority area.

2. Types of Energy Efficiency Measures Installed

- A list and count of the types of measures installed (e.g., insulation, boiler replacement, heat pumps, solar panels, etc.).

3. Potential or Estimated Annual Energy Savings

- Any available data or estimates on average or total annual energy bill savings per household or for the local authority area, resulting from ECO4-funded improvements.

4. Application and Eligibility Data

- The number of ECO4 applications received, approved, and rejected within your local authority area.
- If available, reasons for common application rejections.

Response

Please be advised that Council does not hold any information on this matter.

Please also be advised that the ECO4 scheme doesn't apply to Northern Ireland, only England, Scotland & Wales.

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

Seamus Donaghy

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