

Ref: FOI / 2137

13 November 2018

Ms

Email: @gmail.com

Dear Ms

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request City Centre Information 2007. 2012, 2017

I refer to your FOI request and advise that Derry City and Strabane District Council was formed under the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 effective 1 April 2015 and replaces the former councils of Strabane District Council and Derry City Council. Any available information is therefore applicable from the formation of the new Council in 2015 and covers the entire Council district.

I also advise that not all information is held by Derry City and Strabane District Council. Where Council do not hold the information, contact details ae provided for the relevant bodies.

Request:

For 2007, 2012 and 2017 (full calendar years) can you please provide the following information? Please note this is in relation to Derry's city centre shopping area.

1. What was the level of business rates been for each year per square foot? – Not held by Council. Please contact Department of Finance Land & Property Services

Information Manager 4th Floor Lanyon Plaza 7 Lanyon Place **Town Parks**

Belfast BT1 3LP Tel: 028 9033 6077 email: lnformationmanager@lpsni.gov.uk

2. How many retail premises were closed or been left vacant?

Response: Not held by Council. Please contact:

City Centre Initiative

1-3 Waterloo Place

Derry Londonderry

BT48 6BT Phone: (028) 7136 0169

3. What was the average council-controlled parking cost (please share the tariffs for council car parks in the city)?

Tariffis for Council car parks can be viewed at: Response:

http://www.derrystrabane.com/carparks

4. What was the total number of cars that used council run parking facilities and what is the maximum capacity at council run parking facilities?

Total No of cars: Information not held as unable to monitor. Response:

Capacity available at http://www.derrystrabane.com/carparks

5. How many private car parks did you licence?

No private car parks are licenced by Council Response:

a. If the information is available, what was/is the total capacity of licensed car parks for each of these years?

Response: N/A

5. What was the average single journey bus charge?

Not held by Council. Please contact: Response:

Translink

FOI Coordinator

22 Great Victoria Street

Belfast

BT2 7LX Email foi@translink.co.uk.

6. What was the number of bus journeys that terminated or started in the city centre?

Response: As No 5 above

7. If a local park and ride is available – what was the cost per return journey?

Response: As No 5 above

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 advise however, 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

Business Development Manager