

Ref: FOI / 6028

28th October 2025

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request - Airport Upgrades and Capital Repayments

I refer to your FOI request and respond as follows:

I am writing for the following information:

1. The cost of the new airport scanning equipment and where did the funding come from?

The cost of the airport cabin baggage screening equipment purchased during 2024/24 was £758k. This was financed by Council who retain responsibility for the financing of capital expenditure. An annual £1.3m budget is set aside by Council in this regard.

2. The estimated costs to ratepayers for 25/26 for any loan repayments and operating costs above executive assistance.

A summary of recurrent budgets for 2025/26 and moving forward are as follows:

	Council £000	Department for Economy £000	Department for Transport (UK) £000	Total £000
Operational subvention	245	3,000		3,245
Capital expenditure financing	1,300			1,300
London PSO costs (average 25/26 and 26/27)		1,157	1,157	2,314
Total	1,545	4,157	1,157	6,859

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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
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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

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