

Comhairle **Chathair Dhoire &** Cheantar an tSratha Báin

Derry Cittie & Stràbane Destrick Cooncil

Ref: EIR / 1155

07 April 2017

Email:

Dear

Environmental Information Regulations 2004 Request Off-street car parking

Thank you for your recent request. We respond as follows:

Request:

In accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000, I would like to make a formal request for the information set out below in relation to off-street car parking provision in your local authority area (Derry City and Strabane).

Please provide the following information:

1. What was the total gross income which your local authority generated from off-street car parking in 2015-16?

Response: £785,157.12

2. How many car parking spaces are currently provided by the local authority to generate this annual income?

Response: 1951

3. Does the local authority have any plans to increase its number of off-street car parking spaces, and if so, by how many?

Response: There was an increase of 67 spaces in February 2017



4. If the local authority holds any information regarding the number of off-street car parking spaces provided in the local authority area by other providers (such as private car parking operators) please advise how many spaces are provided, and by which operator.

Response: No records held.

- 5. Are the local authority's off-street car parking operations run entirely inhouse, or are these subject to alternative arrangements, such as a management contract or a partnership agreement with the private sector or another local authority, and if so:
 - a. What are the current arrangements i.e. a management contract, a partnership / joint venture or other (please specify);
 Response: Management contract
 - b. who provides the service to / partners with the local authority; Response: Transport NI
 - c. When is this contract / partnership scheduled to end? Response: October 2019
- 6. Has the local authority given any consideration (and / or made any decision) in the past two years to explore alternative managerial and operational arrangements for its off-street car parking provision (such as private sector involvement) and if so, what?

Response: Currently investigating other suppliers

7. Does the local authority have an up-to-date Parking Strategy? If so, please provide a weblink.

Response: No Parking Strategy currently, but all car parking information can be found at www.derrystrabane.com

- 8. Please provide a weblink to your latest Annual Parking Report. Response: None available at present.
- 9. As the local authority will have just set its budget for the forthcoming financial year (and its Medium Term Financial Strategy), has it agreed for 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20:

Response: Council has only put in place agreed budgets for 2017/18 yet, no plans for 2018/19 or 2019/20 are in place yet.

- a. any savings to be delivered in the running costs of off-street car parking; and
- b. any projected increase in income.

Please provide any figures of savings and income agreed for these years. Response: For 2017/18 Council has projected increased income of £136,000 as a result in increased hourly tariffs for the car parks. This has been onset by increased budgets for expenditure of £81,100 arising from the new contract with NSL and increased maintenance provision of £50,000 for future costs.

10. Likewise, has the local authority allocated any capital funding for expenditure on car parks during the next three years, or identified the need to allocate capital in due course? Please provide figures and details of proposed expenditure.

Response: Other than the £50,000 above for maintenance there are no further Capital Costs planned for this stage.

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

Yours sincerely

