

Ref: EIR / 2029

13 September 2018

Mr

Whatdotheyknow.com

Email: request-509558-5acbbc5e@whatdotheyknow.com

Dear Mr ht

Environmental Information Regulations 2004 Request Objection by Lidl re superstore Eurocentre site, Pennyburn.

I refer to your EIR request and respond as follows:

Request:

Can you please confirm the basis of the objection lodged by Lidl in respect of the above together with the cost, to date, to the local ratepayers in relation to this dispute?

Response:

I can advise that Council does hold the information you request. The objections received on behalf of Lidl during the processing of the application were submitted by MBA Planning and these have been available on the public portal since submitted under the planning reference for the application A/2014/0629/F.

However, if you are seeking the basis for the objection lodged in the legal challenge against the Council decision to approve the application on 19th February 2018, I have provided you with the applicants Order 53 Statement submitted to the High Court outlining all the proposed grounds for challenge. In terms of costs, each party has agreed to meet its own costs, therefore there are no costs to the local tax payer.

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.

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