

Ref: FOI / 2231

11 January 2019

Mr

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Dear

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request Survey Castlederg Toilets

I refer to your Freedom of Information request received on 10th December 2018 and would offer comment to each of your questions as follows:-

'I ask who instigated the survey into need and cost of toilets in Derry and Strabane Council'

A Working Group, consisting of Elected Members and Council Officers, was established in April 2017 to undertake a review of public convenience provision in the Derry City and Strabane District Council area. The Working Group brought a report to Council in September 2017 with a number of recommendations including the proposed closure of automatic toilets at Castlederg and Victoria Market in Derry. Council approved the recommendations of the Working Group (the relevant Council minutes can be viewed at the following link :-

http://meetings.derrycityandstrabanedistrict.com/mgConvert2PDF.aspx?ID=18551&ISATT= 1#search=%22review%20of%20public%20toilets%22

'Who are the members of this survey committee?'

The members of the Working Group included Alderman Derek Hussey, Alderman Allan Bresland, Cllr Martin Reilly, Cllr Karina Carlin, Mr Seamus Donaghy, Head of Health & Community Wellbeing, a Senior Environmental Health Officer and an Officer from the Building Control Department.

'Who did the interview in the Castlederg'

A number of business premises were visited in Castlederg by a Council Officer as part of a scoping exercise in relation to the Community Toilet Scheme.

'What was their terms of reference'

The Working Group had an agreed terms of reference. (copy attached)

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'What did this survey cost'

There were no additional costs in relation to the scoping exercise undertaken in Castlederg.

'Was this survey put out to tender'.

No.

'If so I ask for copy of advert'.

N/A

'The number of companies that applied'.

N/A

' A copy of each companys tender the tender'.

N/A

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

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