

Ref: EIR / 1967

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Dear Ms

Environmental Information Regulations 2004 Request Bishop Street Car Park

I refer to your EIR request and respond as follows:

Request:

1. How many parking tickets have been issued for parking contraventions in Bishop Street Car Park, Derry City in the last three financial years? Please breakdown by contravention as well as providing total number.

Response: Please see the table below for the number of parking tickets (Penalty Charge Notices (PCNs)) which have been issued for parking contraventions in Bishop Street Car Park, Derry City in the last three financial years

Financial Year	*Contravention code					
	71	82	83	86	87	
2015/16	2	161	225	96	44	528
2016/17	4	124	301	110	66	605
2017/18	4	171	392	165	135	867

*Contravention Code descriptions:

- Parked in an electric vehicles' charging place during operating hours without 71 -
- 82 -Parked after the expiry of time paid for in a pay & display car park
- 83 -Parked in a pay and display car park without clearly displaying a valid pay and display ticket or having a valid cashless parking event

- 86 Not parked wholly within the markings of the bay / space
- 87 Parked in a disabled persons parking space without clearly displaying a valid disabled persons badge
 - 2. How much revenue has the issuance of tickets generated? Again please provide breakdown by contravention as well as total.

Response:

It is not possible to determine how much revenue the above PCNs have generated as they can be paid at different rates according to when they were paid within the PCN process. PCNs are charged at £90 and discounted by 50% to £45 if paid within 14 days, and can rise to £135 for late payments. However the average payment rate for all PCNs is approx. £69 per PCN which may be regarded as a reasonable indicator if applied to the figures in the above table.

- 3. How many parking tickets have been issued for the bay, highlighted in the attached Photo A, of Bishop Street Car Park, Derry City in the last three financial years? The bay referred to is the one located in front of the lamppost.
- 4. How much revenue has the issuance of tickets for this one space generated?

Response: Q3 & Q4

The information requested for a specific space is not available. However using the figures from the above table for Contravention Code 86 and applying the average PCN payment rate of approx. £69 per PCN may be regarded as a good indicator for all PCNs issued for not being parked wholly within the markings of the bay / space.

5. How much would it cost the Department to mark out the parking bay to ensure that motorists do not park in the area similar to the markings in Photo B attached?

Response:

Council is responsible for the maintenance of the bays and there would be an approximate cost of £500 to upgrade the bay as set out.

- 6. How many parking ticket challenges have gone to Traffic Penalty Tribunal in the past three financial years?
- 7. How many parking tickets were cancelled as a result of having gone to Traffic Penalty Tribunal in the past three years?

Response: Q6 & Q7

Please see the table below for the number of appeals dealt with by the Traffic Penalty Tribunal in the past three financial years and the number which were successful.

Financial Year	Appellant successful	Appellant unsuccessful		
2015/16	106	209		
2016/17	123	275		
2017/18	124	261		

8. How much does the Traffic Penalty Tribunal process cost the public purse per case, on average, including administration fees, barrister fees and staff time fees? **Response**: The Department does not hold this information. You may however wish to contact the Traffic Penalty Tribunal directly who may be able to assist further in this regard. https://www.justice-ni.gov.uk/articles/northern-ireland-traffic-penaltytribunal

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 **BT48 7NN** Derry 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

Head of Business