

16th August, 2006

Mr Owen Reidy,
SIPTU.,
Liberty Hall,
Dublin 1.

FOI/0063/2006

Dear Mr Reidy,

I refer to the Freedom of Information request received in this office on 2/08/2006 along with the associated fee.

Your request has been allocated to two separate areas of the Department for response, the officer handling part 1 of your request which refers to all correspondence etc., regarding the proposed decentralisation of BIM to Clonakilty, Co. Cork dating back to 2003 will be dealt with by myself, Mary Rabbitte, FOI Unit Division, Department of Communications, Marine & Natural Resources, Leeson Lane, Dublin 2. I can be contacted at 01 6782903. Part 2 of your request, which relates to the Decentralisation implementation Group which reports directly to the Minister for Finance will be dealt with by the Department of Finance.

The officer who will be dealing with part 3 of your request, which relates to the appointment of Ms. Rose McHugh as Chairperson of BIM is Ms Kathleen Regan, Seafood Policy & Development Division, 29-31 Adelaide Rd., Dublin 2. She can be contacted at 01 6782520


A final decision on your request will normally be sent to you within 4 weeks of receipt of your request. This means that you can expect to receive your decision by the 31/08/2006.

If you have not heard from us when the time allocated has expired, you are automatically entitled to appeal to the Department for a review of the matter. This review proceeds on the legal basis that the initial request is considered to be refused once the specified time for responding to it has expired.

You should also be aware that you are entitled to a review of the decision if your request is refused, or if you are for any reason dissatisfied with the outcome of your request. The review is a full and new examination of the matter carried out by a more senior member of staff of this Department. In the event that you need to make an appeal, you can do so by writing to FOI Unit, Department of Communications, Marine & Natural Resources, Leeson Lane, Dublin 2. Please note that there is a charge for all appeals of FOI requests. This charge is currently €75.00. A reduced fee of €25.00 applies if you are the holder of a Medical Card.

Please note that the Department of Communications, Marine & Natural Resources has a policy of posting a summary of your request, your name and address and the subsequent reply on the Department's website for reference purposes.

Yours sincerely,



Mary Rabbitte
FOI Unit



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Ms. Nuala Free,
 Freedom of Information Officer,
 Dept of Communication, Marine & Natural Resources,
 Leeson Lane,
DUBLIN 2.

*Reid
 21/8/06
 Mary Kelly
 July 31st 2006*

Dear Ms. Free,

I wish to access the following records under the Freedom of Information Acts:-

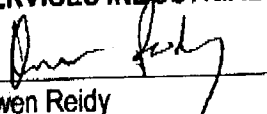
- All correspondence, briefing notes, emails, file notes, meeting notes and other documentation in relation to the proposed decentralisation of Bord Iascaigh Mhara to Clonakilty, County Cork dating back to December 2003.
- We would also request documentation in relation to the Decentralisation Implementation Group which reports directly to the Minister for Finance concerning minutes and meeting notes in relation to Bord Iascaigh Mhara.
- We would also request documentation in relation to the appointment of Ms. Rose McHugh as Chairperson of BIM

We would like to obtain this documentation in the form of photocopies. If you have any queries in relation to this request please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned. Please also find enclosed the required €15.00 cheque in relation to this matter.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

SERVICES INDUSTRIAL PROFESSIONAL TECHNICAL UNION


 Owen Reidy
 Branch Organiser

(31/8)

Cc: C Curraoin, J O'Mahony

22/09/2006

Mr Owen Reidy
SIPTU
Liberty Hall,
Dublin 1

FOI/0063/2006

Dear Mr Reidy,

I refer to the request you have made under the Freedom of Information Act for access to records held by this Department in connection with the decentralisation of BIM to Clonakilty, Co Cork.

Your request has been PART-GRANT and I attach all relevant information with this letter. Please find included a Schedule of all records associated with your request, detailing the order in which they are filed here.


I wish to advise you that, if for any reason you are not satisfied with the outcome of your request, you are entitled to seek a review of the case by appealing the decision to this Department's FOI Internal Review Board. To appeal, you need to write to the FOI Unit, Department of Communications, Marine and Natural Resources, Elm House, Earlsvale Rd., Cavan. You must make your appeal within 4 weeks of the date of this letter, but the making of a late appeal may be permitted in appropriate circumstances. The appeal will involve a complete reconsideration of the matter by a more senior member of the staff of this Department.

Please note that an application fee for an appeal is currently €75.00.

Payment should be made by way of bank draft, money postal order, or personal cheque made payable to "The Department of Communications, Marine & Natural Resources".

On receipt of the fee, an acknowledgement letter will be sent to you outlining details of when you can expect a decision on your appeal, and the contact details of the person handling the appeal.

Yours sincerely,



Mary Rabbitte
FOI Unit Division

FOI Request Reference: FOI/0063/2006

Schedule of Records: Summary of Decision Making

All correspondence, briefing notes, emails, file notes, meeting notes and other documentation in relation to the proposed decentralisation of BIM to Clonakilty, Co Cork dating back to December, 2003.

No.	& Date of Record	Pages	facts	conclusions (Public Interest Considerations, If applicable)	part-grant	Refusal: Section of Act	edited/Identif ydeletions
1	Written Parliamentary Question No. 191, 10 th December, 2003	1			Grant		
2	Written Parliamentary Question No. 192, 10 th December, 2003	1			Grant		
3	Written Parliamentary Question No. 193, 10 th December, 2003	1			Grant		
4	Written Parliamentary Question No. 373, 16 th December, 2003	1			Grant		
5	Oral Parliamentary Questions No.s.112, 117, & 330, 24 th February, 2004	5			Grant		
6	Oral Parliamentary Question No. No. 12, 1 st April, 2004	3			Grant		
7	Oral Parliamentary Question No. 42 12 th May, 2004	3			Grant		
8	Written Parliamentary Question No. 148, 20 th May, 2004	1			Grant		
9	Written Parliamentary Questions No.s 158 & 161, 2 nd June, 2004	2			Grant		
10	Oral Parliamentary Question No.s 25 & 38, 29 th June, 2004	4			Grant		
11	Update on decentralization 6 th July, 2004	1			Part-Grant	Section 20	On-going deliberative process and not relevant to request
12	Written Parliamentary Question No.1 200, 8 th July, 2004	2			Grant		

13	Preliminary CAF Data dated 9 th July, 2004		2			Grant		
14	Meeting with OPW dated 15 th July, 2004		2			Grant		
15	Meeting with Chairman OPW dated 15 th July, 2004		1			Part-Grant	Section 20	Ongoing deliberative process and not relevant to request.
16	Update on decentralisation Dated 19 th July, 2004		1			Part-Grant	Section 20	Ongoing deliberative process and not relevant to request.
17	Update on decentralisation Dated 27 th July, 2004		1			Part-Grant	Section 20	Ongoing deliberative process and not relevant to request.
18	Decentralisation Update Dated 1 st August, 2004		3			Part-Grant	Section 20	Ongoing deliberative process and not relevant to request.
19	Letter to Paul Molloy from Sara White dated 30 th July, 2004		2			Grant		
21	Update on Decentralisation 9 th September, 2004		1			Part-Grant	Section 20	Ongoing Deliberative process and not relevant to request.
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22	Update on Decentralisation 23 September, 2004		2			Part-Grant	Section 20	On-going deliberations and not

33	Written Parliamentary question, No. 157, 23 rd February, 2005		2				Grant		
34	Letter to Mr. Sean Benton from Mr. Brendan Tuohy, Secretary General March 2005.		1				Grant		
35	Parliamentary Question dated 8 th March, 2005.No. 235		2				Grant		
36	Report on joint visit to Dundalk 19 th April 2005.		2				Part-Grant	Section 20	On-going deliberative process and not relevant to the request
37	Update on Decentralisation 28 th April 2005.		2				Part-Grant	Section 20	On-going deliberative process and not relevant to question.
38	Written Parliamentary Question No. 41 5 th May, 2005		2				Grant		
39	Written Parliamentary Question No. 164, 17 th May, 2005		2				Grant		
40	Update on Decentralisation 23 May, 2005		2				Part-Grant	Section 20	On-going deliberative process and not relevant to question
41	Adjournment Debate 25 th May, 2005.		1				Grant		
42	Letter to Ms Claire McGrath from Mr. Denis Maher May 2005		2				Part-Grant	Section 20	On-going deliberations and not relevant to the question
43	Update on decentralisation 13 th May, 2005		2				Part-Grant	Section 20	On-going deliberations and not relevant to the question

44	Update on Decentralisation 1 st June, 2005.		2				Part-Grant	Section 20	On-going deliberations and not relevant to the question
45	Written Parliamentary question No. 151, 2 nd June, 2005						Grant		
46	Update on Decentralisation 25 th June, 2005.		2				Part-Grant	Section 20	On-Going deliberations and not relevant to the question
47	Update on Decentralisation 20 th September, 2005		1				Part-Grant	Section 20	On-going deliberations and not relevant to the question
48	Update on Decentralisation 3 rd October, 2005		1				Part-Grant	Section 20	On-going deliberations and not relevant to the question
49	Letter to Mr. Hugh Byrne, Chairman, BIM from Minister Noel Dempsey. Dated 17 th November, 2005.		1				Grant		
50	Letter to Mr. Sean Benton Chairman, OPW from Mr. Brendan Tuohy. Dated 28 th November, 2005.		1				Grant		
51	Parliamentary Question Written Dated 29 th November, 2005		3				Grant		
52	Decentralisation Update February 2006		1				Part-Grant	Section 20	On-going deliberations and not relevant to the question
53	Written Parliamentary Question, No. 232, 22 nd February, 2006		2				Grant		

54	Letter to Mr. Finbar Flood from Mr. Brendan Tuohy Secretary General dated 24 th April, 2006. incli. Appendix 1 – Progress report Appendix 2 – Decentralisation issues		2				Part-Granted	Section 20	On-going deliberations and not relevant to the question
55	Adjournment debate 29 th March 2006		3				Grant		
56	Decentralisation Update-Clonakilty 18 th April 2006.		1				Part-Grant	Section 20	On-going deliberations and not relevant to the question
57	Decentralisation Update Management Committee 8 th May, 2006		1				Part-Granted	Section 20	On-going deliberations and not relevant to the question
58	Written Parliamentary Question, No. 152, 25 th May, 2006		2				Grant		
59	Issues relating to the decentralisation of BIM dated 2 nd June, 2006.		3				Part-Grant	Section 20	On-going deliberative process and not relevant to the request.
60	Decentralisation property update dated June, 2006		2				Part-Granted	Section 20	On-going deliberative process and not relevant to the request
61	Decentralisation update		1				Part-Granted	Section 20	On-going deliverative process and not relevant to the question
62	Briefing-Decentralisation Stats and Facts						Part-Granted	Section 20	On-going deliberative process and not relevant to the question

63	Written Parliamentary Question, No. 28 dated 15 th June, 2006					Grant		
64	Written Parliamentary Question, No. 153 dated 25 th May, 2006					Grant		
65	Schedule of accommodation					Grant		
66	Email to DCMNR 21 april					Grant		
67	Email to DCMNR 26 April					Grant		