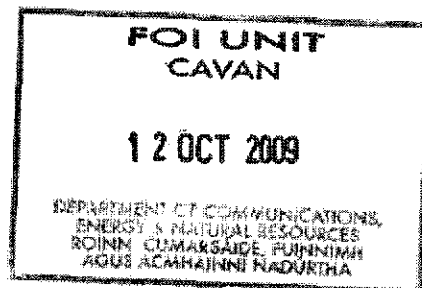


Thursday, October 8, 2009;

Freedom of Information Officer,  
Department of Communications,  
29 - 31 Adelaide Road,  
Dublin 2.




To whom it may concern,

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I wish to obtain a copy of all records of the expenses claims made by Deputy Tony Killeen and any related records since he appointed Minister of State at the Department of Communications from June 2007 to May 2008.

I would appreciate if all information can be forwarded to me at Clare Champion, Barrack Street, Ennis, Co. Clare.

I enclose a €15 cheque to cover the cost of this request.

Thanking you in anticipation,

  
Dan Danaher,  
Clare Champion



Department of Communications, Energy and Natural Resources  
Roinn Cumarsáide, Fuinnimh agus Acmhainní Nádurtha

18/11/2009

Mr Dan Danaher  
Clare Champion  
Barrack Street  
Ennis  
Co. Clare

**FOI Request Reference: FOI/2009/44**

Dear Mr Danaher,

I refer to your FOI request under Section 7 of the Freedom of Information Acts, 1997 and 2003, received in this office on 03/11/2009 requesting records regarding expenses claims made by Deputy Tony Killeen from June 2007 to May 2008. The application was received along with the associated fee.

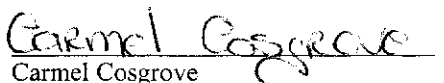
The officer handling your request will be Ms Ann Kissane, Human Resources Division, Department of Communications, Energy and Natural Resources, 29-31 Adelaide Road, Dublin 2. Ann can be contacted on 016782173.

You can expect to receive your decision by the 01/12/2009.

If you have not received a decision by that time, 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. A request for a review should be addressed to the undersigned at the address shown.

Please note the Department of Communications, Energy and Natural Resources has a policy of posting a summary of non-personal requests and decisions on the Departments website for reference purposes.

Yours sincerely,

  
Carmel Cosgrove

FOI Unit  
Department of Communications,  
Energy and Natural Resources  
Elm House,  
Earlsvale Rd  
Cavan

Phone: 01 6782902



**An Roinn Cumarsáide,  
Fuinnimh agus Acmhainní Náúúrtha  
Baile Átha Cliath 2.**

**Department of Communications,  
Energy and Natural Resources,  
Dublin 2.**

1 December 2009

Mr Dan Danaher  
Clare Champion  
Barrack Street  
Ennis  
Co Clare

FOI Request Reference: FOI/2009/44

Dear Mr Danaher

I refer to your FOI request under Section 7 of the Freedom of Information Acts, 1997 and 2003, received in this office on 3 November 2009 in relation to records of expenses claims made by Minister of State, Mr Tony Killeen, from June 2007 to May 2008.

I have made a final decision to your request and I attach all relevant information with this letter. If you have any queries regarding this correspondence you can contact me by telephone at the number below. A schedule of the records covered by your request is also attached.

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 by appealing the decision. To appeal, you need to write to the FOI Unit, Department of Communications, Energy and Natural Resources, Elm House, Earlsvale Rd, Cavan, Co 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 certain circumstances. The review 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 and a reduced fee of €25.00 applies if you are covered by a Medical Card.

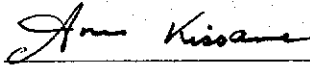
If claiming a reduced application fee, the request must also be accompanied by

- The Medical Card registration number
- The name of the issuing Health Board
- Your consent to the verification of these details with that Health Board.

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

On receipt of the fee, you will be advised of when you can expect a decision on your appeal, and the contact details of the person handling the appeal.

Yours sincerely



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Ann Kissane

Human Resources Division

Tel: (01) 678 2173

email: [ann.kissane@dcenr.gov.ie](mailto:ann.kissane@dcenr.gov.ie)



Record 1

Minister Killeen Domestic Travel 07 & 08

Date	Location	Purpose	Expenditure €
07 Nov 07	Limerick - Dublin	Attendance at telecommunications Seminar.	318.00
12 Nov 07	Clare - Cavan	Visit to Departmental offices in Cavan	378.23
21 Nov 07	Clare - Thurles - Dublin	Visit to Tipperary Institute	358.76
26 Nov 07	Kinaboy - University of Limerick	Visit to University of Limerick	153.33
9 Feb 08	Dublin-Adare-Belfast	Official Duties	688.01
9 Feb 08	Kinaboy-Galway Airport	Official Duties	69.31
3 Mar 08	Kinaboy to Shannon Airport	Travel to airport for onward flight to Washington	64.49
12 Mar 08	Kinaboy to Shannon Airport	Travel to airport for onward flight to Mexico	64.49
19 Mar 08	Shannon airport to Kinaboy	Travel from airport on return from Mexico	64.49
20 Apr 08	Kinaboy - Nenagh, Tipperary	Speaking at Green Mines Conference Nenagh	43.13
02 May 08	Clare - Tipperary	Open Wind Energy Conference	426.41
08 Apr 08	Clare - Dublin	Opening event in Clare	371.86
21 Apr 08	Clare - Nenagh	Opening of Green Mines Conference	22.56
		<b>Total</b>	<b>3,022.77</b>

Minister Killeen Domestic Travel 07 & 08

(Supp ID 5666)

Date	Mileage	Location	Purpose	TOTAL
07 Nov 07	318.00	Limerick - Dublin	Attendance at telecommunications Seminar.	318.00
12 Nov 07	378.23	Clare - Dublin	Visit to Departmental offices in Cavan	378.23
				<b>696.23</b>

Date	Mileage	Location	Purpose	TOTAL
21 Nov 07	358.76	Clare - Thurles - Dublin	Visit to Tipperary Institute	358.76
				<b>358.76</b>

Date	Mileage	Location	Purpose	TOTAL
26 Nov 07	153.33	Kilnaboy - University of Limerick	Visit to University of Limerick	153.33
				<b>153.33</b>

Date	Mileage	Location	Purpose	TOTAL
9 Feb 08	688.01	Dublin-Adare-Belfast	Official Duties	688.01
9 Feb 08	688.01	Kilnaboy-Dublin Airport	Official Duties	69.31
				<b>757.32</b>

Date	Mileage	Location	Purpose	TOTAL
3 Mar 08	64.49	Kilnaboy to Shannon Airport	Travel to airport for onward flight to Washington	64.49
12 Mar 08	64.49	Kilnaboy to Shannon Airport	Travel to airport for onward flight to Mexico	64.49
19 Mar 08	64.49	Shannon airport to Kilnaboy	Travel from airport on return from Mexico	64.49
				<b>193.47</b>

Date	Location	Purpose	Subs	TOTAL
20 Apr 08	Kilnaboy - Nenagh	Speaking at DCENR Conference	43.13	43.13

Date	Location	Purpose	Mileage	Subs	TOTAL
02 May 08	Clare - Tipperary	Open Wind Energy Conference	426.41		426.41
08 Apr 08	Clare - Dublin	Opening event in Clare	371.86		371.86
21 Apr 08	Clare - Nenagh	Opening of Greenmines Conference	22.26		22.56
					<b>820.83</b>

Record 2

Minister Killeen - Paris - Attended the World eDemocracy Forum

Date	Attendees	Nights	Flights	Hotel	Subs	Expenses	Car Hire	Gifts	TOTAL
2 <sup>nd</sup> - 4 <sup>th</sup> Oct 07	Minister Killeen	2	81.54	250	288.90	12.00	1012.40	40.50	1,685.34
	<b>TOTAL</b>								<b>1,685.34</b>

Minister Killeen - Malta - Attendance at EU Meeting

Date	Attendees	Nights	Flights	Hotel	Subs	VIP Suite	TOTAL
10 <sup>th</sup> - 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb 08	Minister Killeen	2	824.64	381.41	192.94	208.82	1,607.81
	<b>TOTAL</b>						<b>1,607.81</b>

Minister Killeen - Washington DC - Attendance at WIREC 2008

Date	Attendees	Nights	Flights	Hotel	Subs	Official Entertainment	Transport Hire	TOTAL
03 <sup>rd</sup> - 6 <sup>th</sup> Mar 08	Minister Killeen	3	4041.81	824.07	350.25	274.77	1905.09	7,395.99
	<b>TOTAL</b>							<b>7,395.99</b>

Minister Killeen - Mexico - Official Visit for St. Patricks day 2008

Date	Attendees	Flights	Hotel	Subs	Expenses	Official Entertainment	VIP Suite Paris	Transport Hire	TOTAL
12 <sup>th</sup> - 19 <sup>th</sup> Mar 08	Minister Killeen	7774.74*	1778.36	399.51	30.00	375.32	861.82	1049.67	12,269.42
	<b>TOTAL</b>								<b>12,269.42</b>

\* includes flights for Mrs Killeen

Record 3

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Minister Killeen - Paris - eDemocracy Conference - 2nd October 2007

<u>Date</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Purpose of expense</u>
27/09/2007	€40.50	Official Gifts

Minister Killeen - Washington DC - Attendance at WIREC 2008

<u>Date</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Purpose of expense</u>
01/03/2008	€77.95	Official Gifts
05/03/2008	€124.09	Official Entertainment - lunch

Minister Killeen - Mexico - Official visit for St Patricks Day 2008

<u>Date</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Purpose of expense</u>
10/03/2008	€278.24	Official Gifts
16/03/2009	€97.08	Official Entertainment - lunch