

Derry City & Strabane

District Council

Comhairle **Chathair Dhoire &** Cheantar an tSratha Báin

Derry Cittie & Stràbane

Destrick Cooncil

Ref: FOI / 1007

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Mr Freelance Journalist 112 Radnor Road Bristol **BS7 8OZ**

Email: @gmail.com

Dear Mr

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request Housing Act 2004

I refer to your FOI request as above. Please note that Derry City and Strabane District Council was formed under the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 effective 1 April 2015 following a Review of Public Administration and replaces the former councils of Derry City Council and Strabane District Council. Requests made to the legacy councils since 1 April 2015 are being handled by Derry City and Strabane District Council and duplicate requests made to the legacy councils are being treated as one request.

1. I would like to request your records of individuals and companies successfully prosecuted for offences under the Housing Act 2004 from 1 January 2015 until the 1 December 2016. This is likely to include: name, business address, rental address, offence, fine, sentence etc.

Response: NIL

2. I would like to request your private rented sector enforcement records - where you record improvement notices, emergency remedial notices, hazard awareness notices and prohibition notices - from November 2010 until

November 2016 (or whatever date range you have available). This is likely to include: landlord name, business address, rental addresses, notice types, date, hazards, outcome etc. But please exclude the tenant/complainants name(s). NIL – please note that the main legislation used by councils in Northern Ireland for the regulation of private sector housing (excluding HMO's) is the Private Tenancies (NI) Order 2006 and as such there are no powers for councils to issue improvement notices, emergency remedial notices, hazard awareness notices and prohibition notices.

The Northern Ireland Housing Executive regulate HMO's and may be able to provide the information requested. Contact details as below:

Northern Ireland Housing Executive

The Access to Information Manager The Housing Centre Northern Ireland Housing Executive 2 Adelaide Street Belfast BT2 8PB Telephone 02890240588

e-mail: records@nihe.gov.uk

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

Strabane

Tel: 0303 123 1113 (local rate) or email: casework@ico.org.uk

Yours sincerely

Head of Health & Community Wellbeing