

FOI Reference Number: FOI/237/1819

Date: 6th September 2018

Request:

Under Freedom of Information legislation, please provide me with all internal and external correspondence relating to Irish Travellers from 1st April 2018 onwards.

Please also provide me with minutes from each meeting when Irish Travellers were discussed, from 1st April 2018 onwards.

The information which you send me will be used for journalistic purposes and may be published.

If anything that I have asked for is unclear please respond to this request seeking clarification ASAP.

If any of this information is unattainable, please respond ASAP, outlining the reasons for this and suggesting alterations I could make to my request in order to make it viable.

Please confirm receipt of this request via email.

I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Response:

Thank you for your information request which Mid and East Antrim Borough Council received on 8th August 2018.

Please find below Mid and East Antrim Borough Council's response to the information you requested in relation to correspondence in respect of Irish Travellers.

The only correspondence Mid and East Antrim have received in relation to Irish Travellers since 1st April 2018 is below. There have not yet been any meetings held in relation to Irish Travellers.

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 10 April 2018 16:07
Subject: 'NIHRC's Travellers' Accommodation Investigation Report'

Dear all,

We are pleased to announce that our investigation report 'Out of Sight, Out of Mind: Travellers' Accommodation in NI' was officially launched at the beginning of March 2018. This report considered Travellers' accommodation in NI in the context of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, Article 11 (right to adequate housing). The report sets out a range of findings that are structured around the individual components of the right to adequate housing. It concludes with 45 recommendations, five of which require urgent action.

An electronic copy of the full report and executive summary are attached. These, plus two appendices setting out our data are also available on our website: www.nihrc.org.

We hope you will find the enclosed report useful. We welcome feedback on our work so if you have views, comments or queries about the report, please get in touch with [REDACTED] at the Commission ([REDACTED]).

Yours sincerely,

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If you are dissatisfied with the handling of part of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within

two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to the Chief Executive at the Braid Ballymena Town Hall, 1-29 Bridge Street, Ballymena, BT43 5EJ.

Please remember to quote the reference number FOI/237/1819 in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of an internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Please be advised that Mid and East Antrim Borough Council may release the response to this information request into the public domain via our website at <https://www.midandeantrim.gov.uk/>.

If we publish our response to your request, your personal data will be removed to protect your privacy.