

**FOI Reference Number:** FOI/366/1920

**Date:** 24 January 2020

**Request:**

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I would be grateful if you would send me:-

All information compiled, commissioned or researched in regard to the birds and fish, particularly puffin and sand eels observed on, at or near to The Gobbins cliffs from the Gobbin's Project commenced.

**Response:**

Thank you for your information request which Mid and East Antrim Borough Council received on 08 January 2020.

*Please note, your request has not been processed under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. We believe this request relates to environmental information and therefore it has been processed under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.*

*Part of the information provided contains personal information of third parties and has therefore been redacted under Regulation 13 of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.*

*Please find below and attached, Mid and East Antrim Borough Council's response in relation to your request.*

*Copies of the Bird Surveys for 2015 (1<sup>st</sup> year we opened), 2016 (2<sup>nd</sup> Year), 2018 and 2019 as per planning regulations are attached. Please note, no survey was carried out in 2017 due to limited opening.*

*No research into fish in the area exists as this was not part of our planning permission nor our environmental management.*

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/366/1920 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.