

Freedom of Information: Disclosure Log 2014

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<p>Reference: AFBIFOI20140301</p> <p>Date of Request: 5 March 2014</p> <p>The following information was requested:</p> <p>The total number of laptops owned by your organisation that were registered to and/or in the possession of staff members (whether directly employed by your organisation or otherwise) on the following two dates:</p> <p>a) 1 May 2010 (or nearest available date – please specify)</p> <p>b) 1 May 2013 (or nearest available date – please specify)</p>	<p>Date of Response: 19 March 2014</p> <p>The following response was provided:</p> <p>a) 1 May 2010 (or nearest available date – please specify) ----- 0</p> <p>b) 1 May 2013 (or nearest available date – please specify) ----- 0</p>
<p>Reference: AFBIFOI20140401</p> <p>Date of Request: 3 April 2014</p> <p>The following information was requested:</p> <p>The number of man hours that are, and indeed have been spent, counting elvers entering the Lough Neagh system at all locations (including Toome) covering the period from 2010 to present day.</p>	<p>Date of Response: 15 April 2014</p> <p>The following response was provided:</p> <p>The information is not held by AFBI and the requestor should make contact with the Lough Neagh Fishermen's Cooperative Society (LNFCS) Lough Neagh Fishermen's Co-operative Society Ltd. 4 Bann-Side, Toomebridge, Co. Antrim, BT41 3SB</p>
Reference: AFBIFOI20140402	Date of Response: 29 May 2014

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<p>Date of Request: 28 April 2014</p> <p>The following information was requested:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In the five year period from January 2009 - January 2014 how many posts were advertised in SAFSD and formerly APSD (permanent/ temporary/ external and internal) at PSO and SSO level and how many of these required the post holder to have a PhD? 2. How is the community background made up of the permanent AFBI workforce as a whole? 3. How is the community background made up of the permanent AFBI workforce at the senior range (UG7 and above)? 	<p>The following response was provided:</p> <p>The information released can be viewed at: https://www.afbini.gov.uk/sites/afbini.gov.uk/files/publications/AFBIFOI20140402.pdf</p>
<p>Reference: AFBIFOI20140601</p> <p>Date of Request: 2 June 2014</p> <p>The following information was requested:</p> <p>How is the community background made up of the permanent AFBI workforce at the senior range (UG7 and above) in SAFSD?</p>	<p>Date of Response: 4 June 2014</p> <p>The following response was provided:</p> <p>Of the 70 UG7 and above in AFBI, 34 are in SAFSD.</p> <p>The breakdown is: 20 - 30 x Protestant (including 1 Residuaried Protestant); 1 - 10 x Residuaried Roman Catholic; 10 - 20 x those whose community background was Neither, Residuaried Non-Determined or Missing.</p>
<p>Reference: AFBIFOI20140701</p> <p>Date of Request: 21 July 2014</p> <p>The following information was requested:</p>	<p>Date of Response: 13 August 2014</p> <p>The following response was provided:</p>

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<p>1. By species: How many animals were used in research by The Public Authority during 2013?</p> <p>2. Minutes, reports and correspondence of any Animal Welfare & Ethical Review Board ("AWERB"), formerly known as the Ethical Review Committee ("ERC"), or sub-committee at University level, including but not limited to departmental committees, from 2013, where these relate to experimentation or other work involving captive live animals, in addition to any guidance issued by these committees at any time if currently in use.</p> <p>3. Funding for research involving animals 2009-2013: What funding from registered Charities, in the form of research grants/awards etc, was received by The Public Authority or by its employees for research involving animals? From which Registered Charities (National and/or International) did the funding come from? What species and numbers of animals are/were licensed for the aforementioned Charity funded research?</p>	<p>The information could not be disclosed under the following exemptions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000: Sections 38 (1)(b), 40(2), 41, 43, 44(1)(a).</p>
<p>Reference: AFBIFOI20140801</p> <p>Date of Request: 21 August 2014 (additional clarification provided 3 November 2014)</p> <p>The following information was requested:</p> <p>1. Could you please provide me with the total number of contracts put out for tender by your organisation during the following two periods:</p>	<p>Date of Response: 13 November 2014</p> <p>The following response was provided:</p> <p>1 (a) : 10 contracts 1 (b) : 41 contracts</p> <p>2 (a) : 3 contracts 2 (b) : 5 contracts</p>

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<p>(a) January 1, 2010 - December 31, 2010 (or the nearest available 12-month period – please specify); and</p> <p>(b) January 1, 2013 - December 31, 2013 (or the nearest available 12-month period – please specify)</p> <p>2. For each of these two periods, please state how many of these contracts were awarded after a tendering process in which only one contractor submitted a bid.</p>	
<p>Reference: AFBIFOI20140802</p> <p>Date of Request: 22 August 2014</p> <p>The following information was requested in relation regarding confirmed cases of pesticide abuse in bird of prey species (White-tailed Eagle and Red Kite)during 2013:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The dates when the white-tailed eagle and red kite corpses were submitted to AFBI The dates when the outcome of the toxicology tests were known The wildlife incident investigations scheme (WIIS) reference number in each case. 	<p>Date of Response: 17 September 2014</p> <p>The following response was provided:</p> <p>The requested details regarding the submission of a white-tailed eagle and five red kites to AFBI during 2013 are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Case reference 2013-8000: red kite received 03/04/13. Toxicology results were reported on 23/08/13. Case reference 2013-10574: sea or white-tailed eagle submitted with a buzzard, received on 30/04/13. Toxicology results were first reported on 23/08/13, with re-testing in 2014 and a second report on 07/04/14. Case reference 2013-14212: a red kite received on 21/06/13. Toxicology results reported on 23/08/13. Case reference 2013-17391: red kite received on 16/08/13. Toxicology results reported on 09/09/13. Case reference 2013-17656: red kite received on 20/08/13. Toxicology results reported on 30/08/13. Case reference 2013-23911: red kite received on 13/11/13. Toxicology results reported on 04/12/13.

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<p>Reference: AFBIFOI20141001</p> <p>Date of Request: 20 October 2014</p> <p>The following information was requested in relation to information provided in AFBIFOI20160802 regarding 'Case reference 2013 -10574; sea or white-tailed eagle submitted with a buzzard, received on 30/04/13. Toxicology results were first reported on 23/08/13, with re-testing in 2014 and a second report on 07/04/14' i.e.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Were the toxicology results for both birds reported on the 23/8/13? ii. Which bird(s) were retested? iii. Why was the retest done? 	<p>Date of Response: 6 November 2014</p> <p>The following response was provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. A sea eagle and a buzzard suspected of having been shot or poisoned were submitted to AFBI's Veterinary Sciences Division by the PSNI on 30 April 2013. The cause of death of the buzzard was determined at gross port-mortem examination and reported. Samples taken were submitted to the Science and Advice for Scottish Agriculture (SASA) in early May for pesticides analysis. Gizzard contents from the eagle were found positive for carbofuran. These results were reported to the PSNI on the 23 August 2013 but unfortunately they were wrongly assigned to the buzzard samples. This was an administrative error and measures have been put in place to minimise the likelihood of this happening again. ii. Sea Eagle. iii. On 28 January 2014 the PSNI requested further tests on the sea eagle and a liver sample was submitted to SASA.
<p>Reference: AFBIFOI20141101</p> <p>Date of Request: 25 November 2014 (with further clarification requested on 15 December 2014)</p> <p>The following information was requested:</p> <p>Clarification of the text "The cause of death of the buzzard was determined at gross port-mortem examination and reported" which was stated in the response to FOI request AFBIFOI20141001.</p>	<p>Date of Response: 12 December 2014 (with further clarification response provided on 22 December 2014)</p> <p>The following response was provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A sea eagle and a buzzard suspected of having been shot or poisoned were submitted to AFBI's Veterinary Sciences Division by the PSNI on 30 April 2013. We can confirm that the cause of death of the buzzard was determined at gross port-mortem examination. The cause of death of the buzzard was probably starvation following a wing fracture. The shot pellets (one in the head and one near the pelvis) probably originated from an old wound, healed by the time of death. 2. The positive carbofuran results wrongly assigned to the buzzard were submitted to the Wildlife Incident Investigation Scheme for including within their online reports.

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	3. A new submission for the quarterly reports to WIIS has been made from AFBI and the rectification of the results for case 2013-10574 has been included.