

ÉIRE Communits Councils

Bryan Byrne Freedom of Information Unit Department of Justice, Home Affairs and Migration, 51 St Stephen's Green, Stephen's Green, Dublin 2.

17th June 2025

By Post & Email: foiajustice.je

Subject: Proposals for IPAS Centres in Éire FOI Record DOJ-FOI-2025-0717

A Chara.

I refer to your correspondence of 17 June 2025 via email in relation to my FOI Request where you refer to Section 15(1)(c) of the FOI Act and Section 15(4) of the FOI Act to ask to refine aspects of my FOI Request with:

"The decision maker has suggested narrowing the scope of your request to two IPAS centres from you list above and refining the timeframe to a period of 6 months"

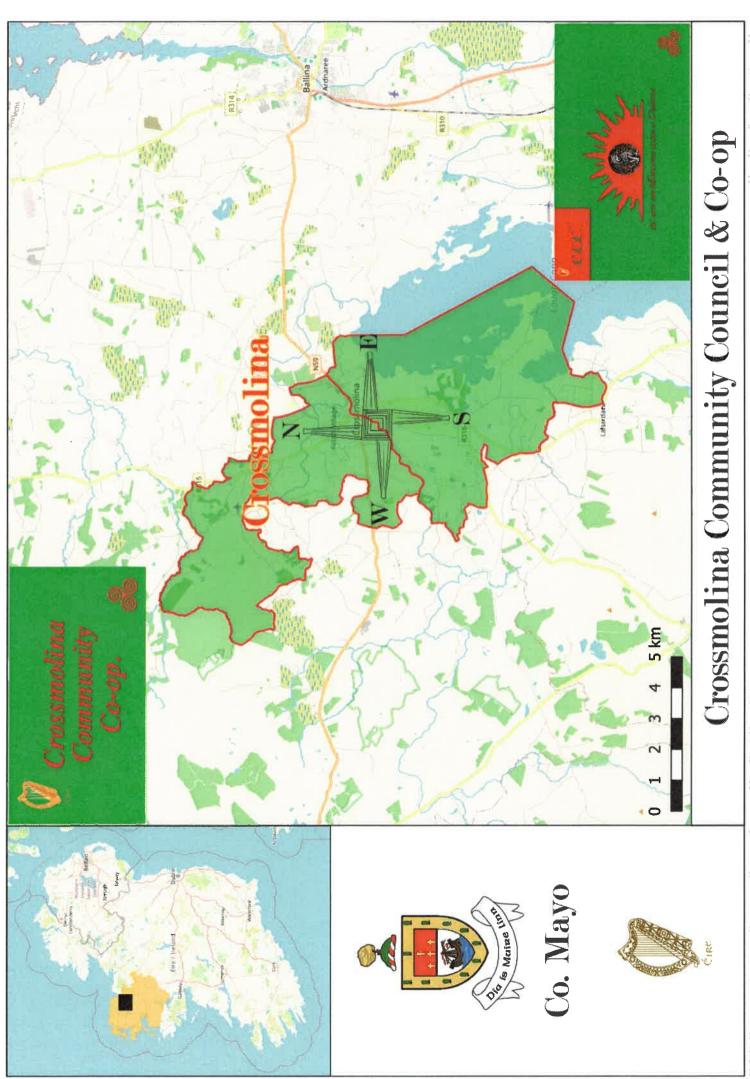
Without Prejudice to my original request, and my right to revisit same in the future, I refine my request as follows:

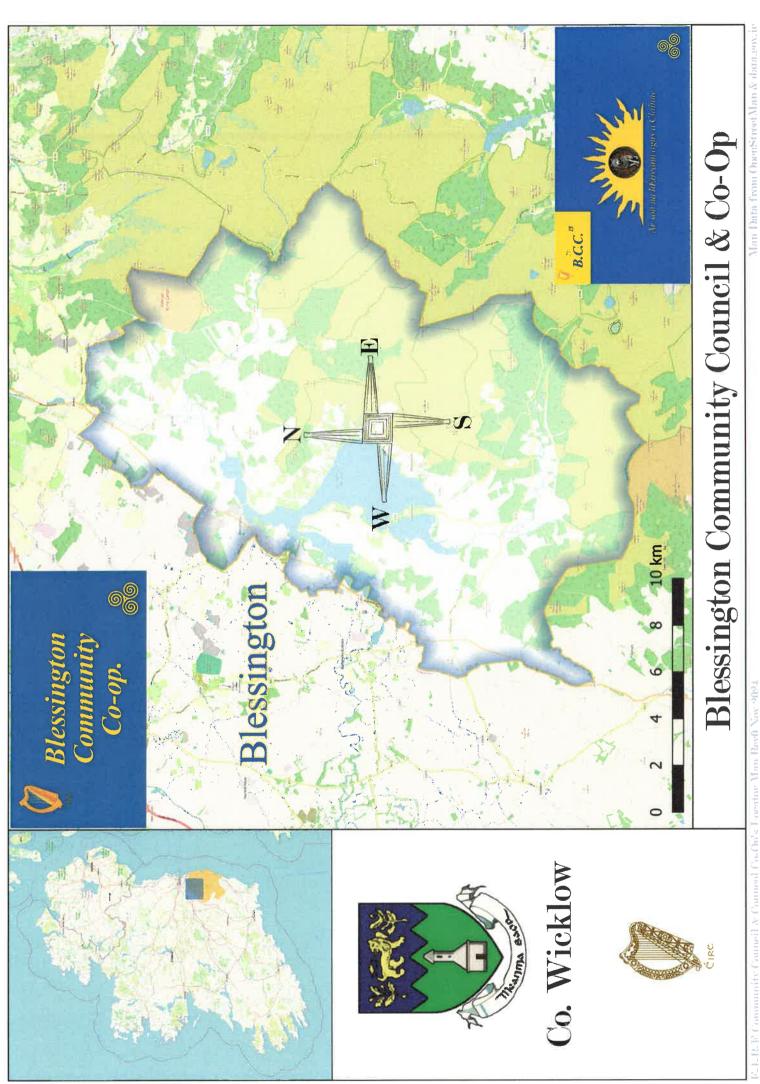
"I wish to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 for information and records on proposals made between 14th December 2024 and 14th June 2025, for IPAS Centres in Crossmolina, Mayo and Blessington, Wicklow, within the boundary areas of the attached Map for the Crossmolina Community Co-Op Area and the attached Map for the Blessington Community Co-Op Area'

I trust the above is in order and I look forward to receipt of the requested information.

Yours Sincerely

Chairman, Crossmolina Community Council & Co-Op Chairman, Blessington Community Council & Co-Op





John Flanagan (TMHL)

From: FOI Mail In <foi@justice.ie>

Sent: 17 June 2025 15:23 **To:** John Flanagan (TMHL)

Cc: FOI Mail In

Subject: RE: DOJ-FOI-2025-0717 DOJ-FOI-2025-0717 Acknowledgement

Dear Mr. Flanagan

I refer to your Freedom of Information request below, currently being processed by our Department.

"I wish to make a request under Freedom of Information Act 2014 for information and records on proposals made between 14th September and June 2025, for IPAS centres in Éire, for the following community areas:

- 1. Finglas, Dublin
 - 2. Oughterard, Galway
 - 3. Donegal Town, Donegal
 - 4. Ballyshannon, Donegal
 - 5. Crossmolina, Mayo
 - 6. Westport, Mayo
 - 7. Inishowen North, Donegal
 - 8. Inishowen South, Donegal
 - 9. Ballybofey, Donegal
 - 10. Glenties, Donegal
 - 11. Sligo Town, Sligo
 - 12. Letterkenny, Donegal
 - 13. Moycullen, Galway
 - 14. Blessington, Wicklow
 - 15. Castletroy, Limerick"

Having conducted an initial examination of your request, the Decision Maker has asked that I contact you in relation to it as certain aspects of the request may require refinement if they are to be processed.

In accordance with Section 15(4) of the Act, the Department will not refuse a request on administrative grounds unless it has assisted or offered to assist the requester in amending the request so it no longer falls under those grounds.

Accordingly, to enable the Department respond to your request I would ask that you refine the aspects set out below and provide additional information to clearly define the records that you are seeking.

Voluminous Requests

Your request may be subject to refusal under Section 15(1)(c) of the FOI Act 2014.

Section 15. (1) A head to whom an FOI request is made may refuse to grant the request where---(c) in the opinion of the head, granting the request would, by reason by the number or nature of the records concerned or the nature of the information concerned, require the retrieval and examination of such number of records or an examination of such kind of the records concerned as to cause a substantial and unreasonable interference with or disruption of the work (including disruption of work in a particular functional area) of the FOI body concerned,

The aspects of your request set out above may fall under this provision of the Act due to the volume of records to be examined.

In view of the foregoing and in accordance with Section 15(4) of the FOI Act, we would ask that you refine the aspects of your request noted above.

The decision maker has suggested narrowing the scope of your request to two IPAS centres from you list above and refining the timeframe to a period of 6 months.

Can you please confirm if you are happy to proceed with the above suggested refinement and if so, please provide the names of the IPAS Centres you wish to proceed with by email to foi@justice.ie

Please note, your request will be placed on hold until we receive this information from you.

Yours sincerely

Bryan Byrne Freedom of Information Unit

From: eFOI (Justice) < Justice-eFOI@cloud.gov.ie>

Sent: Wednesday 11 June 2025 12:18
To: John Flanagan <jdf@tmhl.ie>
Cc: FOI Mail In <foi@justice.ie>

Subject: DOJ-FOI-2025-0717 DOJ-FOI-2025-0717 Acknowledgement

Dear Mr. Flanagan,

Please see attached acknowledgement letter in relation to your FOI request.

Yours sincerely, Saibh Aris Freedom of Information Unit

The FOI Request DOJ-FOI-2025-0717 has been emailed to you by Saibh X. Aris.

Is le haghaidh an duine nó an eintitis ar a bhfuil sí dírithe, agus le haghaidh an duine nó an eintitis sin amháin, a bheartaítear an fhaisnéis a tarchuireadh agus féadfaidh sé go bhfuil ábhar faoi rún agus/nó faoi phribhléid inti. Toirmisctear aon athbhreithniú, atarchur nó leathadh a dhéanamh ar an bhfaisnéis seo, aon úsáid eile a bhaint aisti nó aon ghníomh a dhéanamh ar a hiontaoibh, ag daoine nó ag eintitis seachas an faighteoir beartaithe. Má fuair tú é seo trí dhearmad, téigh i dteagmháil leis an seoltóir, le do thoil, agus scrios an t-ábhar as aon ríomhaire. Is é beartas na Roinne Dlí agus Cirt, na nOifígí agus na nGníomhaireachtaí a úsáideann seirbhísí TF na Roinne seoladh ábhair cholúil a dhícheadú.

Más rud é go measann tú gur ábhar colúil atá san ábhar atá sa teachtaireacht seo is ceart duit dul i dteagmháil leis an seoltóir láithreach agus le mailminder[ag]justice.ie chomh maith.

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