

**REQUEST FOR ACCESS TO RECORDS UNDER THE
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT, 2014**

Information Unit
Department of Education and Skills

Please address this request to relevant FOI Contact

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FOI Case # 2016/415

Please use **BLOCK** letters

Details of Applicant

Surname: [REDACTED]

First Name: [REDACTED]

Postal Address: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Telephone Number(s)

OFFICIAL USE ONLY

Home :

Date FOI request Received:

Business:

Identity Verified:

Mobile: [REDACTED]

Consent Confirmed:

Personal Information

My preferred form of access is; *(please tick as appropriate)*

☐ to receive copies of the record by post

☒ other - please specify [REDACTED]

Details of Request

In accordance with **Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act**, I request access to records which are: *(please tick as appropriate)*

☐ Personal

☒ Non-personal

*In the space provided below, please describe the records as fully as you can. If you are requesting **Personal Information**, please state precisely, in whose name those*

records are held. You will not normally be given access to personal information of another person unless you have obtained the written consent of that person.

I request the following records: DOCUMENTS RELATING
TO THE POTENTIAL UNIVERSITY
STATUS FOR WATERFORD INSTITUTE
OF TECHNOLOGY. THIS SHOULD INCLUDE
DOCUMENTS RELATING TO PROPOSED
MERGERS WITH OTHER ITS AND
BRIEFING NOTES FOR THE MINISTERS
BETWEEN JUNE 1st 2014 AND
PRESENT.

Please sign here:

Date:

28/10/2016

From: Cullinane, Tim
Sent: 08 November 2016 10:02
To:
Cc: Freedom of Information <foi@education.gov.ie>
Subject: FOI: 2016/415 -

Hi,

That revised date of 1st January 2016 will make the FOI request more manageable.

Many thanks,

Tim.

From:
Sent: 07 November 2016 14:27
To: Cullinane, Tim
Subject: Re: FOI: 2016/415

Hi Tim

Thanks for getting back to me, hope you enjoyed the few days off!

Would changing the date range of the documents from between 1st January 2016 and present be sufficient to reduce the volume of documents enough?

Kind regards

On Wed, Nov 2, 2016 at 1:45 PM, Tim > wrote:

Good to talk to you yesterday.

In relation to your FOI request dated 28 October 2016 which was received on 1 November 2016 for records as specified in the attachment held by the Department of Education and Skills.

Having made an initial consultation the position is that under the provisions of section 15(1)(c) of the FOI Act 2014, your request in its current format would be considered a voluminous request and may not be feasible to process due to the number of records

concerned that would require the retrieval and examination of a large number of records which would disrupt the work of this section.

The best way to make your request more manageable while fulfilling your objective would be, if possible, to refine or limit the scope of your request by identifying specific records that you want covered by the request. When the terms of a revised request are agreed, the date on which such agreement is reached becomes the relevant date for receipt of the request.

I am back in the office on Monday. Perhaps you could give me a call to discuss further.

Regards,

Tim.

Tim Cullinane,

Higher Education – Policy,

Department of Education and Skills,

Training College Building,

Marlborough Street,
