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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 29 September 2016 23:18
To: Freedom of Information
Subject: Re: FOI: 2016/338 - [REDACTED]

Dear Claire,

Thank you for your reply. As per previous email to Principal Officer Tom Plunkett, I wish to apply for the 2016 schools list regarding the tendering / construction process.

Whereabouts exactly is St Mochtas on this list? (Clarified Request)

I have just come from a meeting in St Mochtas School with the Board of Management, Principal, Staff & Parents, Ministers & TDs regarding this project.

The anger, disappointment, dismay & worry about the health implications of our children has fuelled a March on the Dail next Wednesday.

The conditions in the school is appalling mould everywhere, including sightings of rats & bats.

I believe extra funding has been allocated so I would also appreciate if you would forward this request to the relevant section.

The Welfare of our children is compromised every day in this School. I hear stories from parents that their children will not go to the toilet in school as the toilets are so bad.

I know this is probably not the correct section but if you could forward this information it to the relevant section I would be most grateful.

I await your information as soon as possible as time is not on our side..

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

On Tuesday, 13 September 2016, Freedom of Information <foi@education.gov.ie> wrote:

[REDACTED]

I refer to your request for access to information under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2014 which was received in this office on 13/09/2016. We have made preliminary inquiries within this Department where it would be reasonably be expected to find the records you seek. We have been advised by the Major Projects (Design and Construction) Unit to clarify your request and specify what records you wish to access.

Please note that the Freedom of Information Act requires that you, the requester, give us 'sufficient particulars' to enable us to identify the records you require. We are then required to take 'reasonable steps' to identify and locate those records. Section 12(1) (b) of the Act is the relevant section here:

12 (1) A person who wishes to exercise the right to access shall make a request, in writing or in such other form as may be determined, addressed to the head of the FOI body concerned for access to the record concerned –

(b) containing sufficient particulars in relation to the information concerned to enable the record to be identified by the taking of reasonable steps

Kind Regards

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 12/09/2016 10:44

To: Plunkett, Tom

Subject: St Mochtas NS , Clonsilla Dublin 15

Re Saint Mochtas Building Project

Dear Tom,

I am writing to you concerning the above project regarding the very disappointing news from The Department of Education that the tendering for the above building project will not be taking place this year..

I am a parent of three children attending this school & we were led to believe by TDs that work was going to progress & ' St Mochtas is to be totally rebuilt ' with the project to proceed to construction in 2016.

Classrooms were changed around & alot of work was done in anticipation of this.

Under Freedom of Information I would like to request as quickly as possible, in writing the Schools list regarding this tendering / construction process.

This school is a fantastic school with amazing teaching staff & this news is so disappointing & disheartening to hear for all Children teachers, parents.

The school is not fit for purpose , the Health Safety & Welfare of our Children & employees are challenged every day resulting in ill health.

The Prefabs are a disgrace, breathing grounds for all types of breathing problems. Toilets blocked in the 1st week of school.

On a wet day the conditions are so unacceptable with cramped corridors . The potential dangers & hazards are so serious that the consequences are very high to our vunerable children & education staff / employees.

Under the Health & Safety & Welfare at Work Act, This School is not a safe place of work for its employees or pupils.

As you can understand the urgency in this matter, I thank you in advance for this information or any other information/ contacts you can forward that might help.

Regards

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