

**RTÉ Freedom of Information – Q4 (October – December 2017)**

**Disclosure Log of Completed Freedom of Information requests**

<b>RTÉ Ref No.</b>	<b>Date FOI Received</b>	<b>FOI Summary</b>	<b>Requester</b>	<b>Decision</b>
166	2 October 2017	How many times a named TD has appeared on the 'Today with Sean O'Rourke' programme on RTÉ Radio 1, during 2016 and to date in 2017.	Member of the Public	Granted
167	4 October 2017	All correspondence in relation to sale of land at the RTÉ Sports and Social club site. Has RTÉ paid compensation in relation to the sale of land in the Sports and Social Club site and if so, the overall cost of compensation made; all records of subventions made to the Sports and Social Club or to individual members.	Member of Oireachtas	Part granted Section 15(1)(a) – records do not exist.
168	17 October 2017	'The Late Late show' interview with Hillary Clinton (29 September 2017): request for the costs of travel, accommodation, expenses etc., incurred (as a result of the interview taking place outside of RTÉ Donnybrook studios).	Member of the Public	Refused. Sections 35(1)(b) and 36(1)(b) and (c) and Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000.

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<b>169</b>	17 October 2017	“Prime Time’ (broadcast in October 2017) – request for explanation of criteria for selecting named councillors and TDs who appeared on the programme, and for minutes of any editorial meeting where such a decision was made (and reasoning behind same).	Member of the Public	Refused. Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000.
<b>170</b>	18 October 2017	Documentation regarding the number of complaints received from members of the public by RTÉ in relation to the RTÉ Player service, for each year between 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2013 and 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2017 (categorised by nature of grievance).	Journalist	Refused on administrative grounds.
<b>171</b>	19 October 2017	Records of controversies ‘The Late Late Show’ may have generated (re. The Catholic Church/members of the public), since the 1960s.	Member of the Public	Handled outside of Freedom of Information.
<b>172</b>	17 October 2018	Payment (monetary and payment-in-kind) to 14 named RTÉ presenters, approved by RTÉ management (from 2017 to date).	Journalist	Part granted.  Sections 35(1)(b), 36(1)(b) and (c), 37, and Data Protection legislation.

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173	23 October 2017	Records from 2015 to date: provide details of each external venture approved by RTÉ for 23 named RTÉ presenters.	Journalist	Part granted. Sections: 35(1)(b), 36(1)(b) and (c), 37, and under Data Protection legislation.
174	23 October 2017	Records of the investigation into the 'Secret RTÉ Producer' twitter account; the current number of employees employed by RTÉ; average salary for an RTÉ producer; number of holidays/sick days RTÉ employees receive per year; records of length of employment of RTÉ producers; records of diversity distribution across RTÉ; records of RTÉ's security policy and data protection safeguards; records of expenses from RTÉ journalists.	Journalist	Refused on administrative grounds. Section: 15(1)(b) and (c).
175	24 October 2017	The cost of guests and audience members on RTÉ's chat shows in the year 2016: 'The Late Late Show', 'The Ray D'Arcy Show', 'The Today Show' and 'Saturday Night with Miriam'; costs to include appearance fees, transport (taxis, air fares, trains, buses etc.), accommodation and green room costs for guests, as well as hospitality costs for audience members.	Journalist	Granted.

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176	6 November 2017	Total costs of RTÉ transport in 2016 (to include guests, contributors, performers, contractors and staff).	Journalist	Granted.
177	26 October 2017	Transcripts of any complaints made to RTÉ regarding news coverage of 'Storm Ophelia', both on radio and television broadcasts.	Journalist	Granted (summary of complaints and RTÉ response).
178	26 October 2017	Copies of any records/documents within RTÉ, outlining and detailing the process of how Freedom of Information requests are processed by RTÉ's FOI Unit.	Member of the Public	Refused. Section 15(1)(d).
179	26 October 2017	Copies of any records/documents within RTÉ, concerning a specific communication from the requestor to the Head of RTÉ News and Current Affairs in May 2017.	Member of the Public	Refused. Section 15(1)(a).
180	31 October 2017	The amount spent on wages per annum to permanent staff by RTÉ, and the average amount an employee earns.	Member of the Public	Refused. Section 15(1)(d).
181	31 October 2017	Records on any controversies concerning 'The Late Late Show', the Catholic Church and members of the public during 1960's, including records of any loss of advertising as a result. Records related to the 'Rubberbandits' appearance in 2017 on 'The Late Late Show' and any loss of viewers as a result.	Member of the Public	Handled outside of Freedom of Information.

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182	6 November 2017	Copies of all documents held by RTÉ relating to review into gender and pay conducted by Mr Kevin Mulvey. To include all correspondence, all draft versions of report submitted to RTÉ, all notes detailing internal discussions, all details and internal correspondence relating to RTÉ's public relations approach to the release of the report.	Journalist and member of staff	Refused. Section 29.
183	6 November 2017	Revenue made by RTÉ through texts and phone calls for audience competitions and voting (January 2016 - October 2017) – to include text and phone voting for 'Dancing With The Stars' and 'The Voice of Ireland, as well as competitions on RTÉ programmes such as 'The Late Late Show' and 'The Ray D'Arcy Show'; a breakdown of the number of phone calls and texts received during the mentioned period.	Journalist	Refused. Sections: 35, 36(1)(b) and (c).
184	6 November 2017	How much airtime was given to gambling advertising on RTÉ One during 2016.	Journalist	Granted.
185	6 November 2017	The cost of refurbishment of RTÉ buildings (painting, flooring, plumbing, gardening and other maintenance costs – to include a breakdown of the cost of each individual piece of refurbishment). Cost of artwork that has been 'changed'/'moved', (include artwork such as paintings, sculptures and other pieces). Timeline June 2015 and June 2017. A schedule of the records requested.	Journalist	Part granted. Section 15(1)(c).

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186	6 November 2017	How many RTÉ staff members are on incentivised career breaks at present (6/11/17); how many have gone on the incentivised breaks in the last five years; what the incentives offered were; details of the agreements between staff taking incentivised career breaks and RTÉ which prevented staff from working on other projects; figures and details of RTÉ staff who worked for external companies while on an incentivised career break, and if RTÉ used external companies which employed staff on incentivised career breaks.	Journalist	Granted.
187	7 November 2017	Records of the formal complaints made to RTÉ in relation to the 'St. Valentine's Special' that aired on 'The Late Late Show' in February 2017.	Member of the Public	Granted (Summary of complaints and programme response).
188	8 November 2017	The number of formal complaints made to RTÉ for bullying and sexual harassment since 2008; details about how each case was resolved; a breakdown of the number of complaints each year and which departments they came from.	Journalist	Part granted. Sections: 29, 35(1)(a), 37 and under Data protection legislation.
189	8 November 2017	The cost to RTÉ of its various social media pages (Facebook, twitter, Instagram) dating from the time each site/page was launched, including the cost of branding, launch events, payment for sponsored posts, payment for followers, and any other non salary-related costs.	Journalist	Refused. Sections: 35, 36(1)(b) and (c).

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190	10 November 2017	Number of complaints received by RTÉ in respect of 'The Ray D'Arcy' afternoon radio show (from first broadcast to date); number of complaints received in respect of the sex therapist segment of the show. Number of complaints in respect of RTÉ Radio 1 programmes for 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017. Number of complaints received in respect of RTÉ Radio 1 programmes, starting from 2014 (to date) which were escalated to the internal review process within RTÉ. Number of complaints received in respect of RTÉ Radio 1 programmes, starting in 2014 (to date) which were referred to the BAI by complainants.	Member of the Public	Refused.  Section 15(1)(c).
191	10 November 2017	Records that show the amount spent on 'buying social media followers' for each RTÉ social media channel, in 2015, 2016, and 2017 to date. Records that show the number of followers 'bought' for each RTÉ social media channel in 2015, 2016, and 2017 to date.	Journalist	Refused.  Section 15(1)(a) – records do not exist.
192	13 November 2017	All relevant documentation regarding commissioning of RTÉ reports on the RTÉ Orchestras.	Business/ Interest group	Refused.  Sections: 15(1)(a), 29.
193	24 November 2017	The number of employees that have been on 'zero-hour contracts' in RTÉ since 2010 - broken down by year, department employees work in, or generally assigned to.	Journalist	Withdrawn.

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194	16 November 2017	Records relating to costs associated with RTÉ correspondents - both regional and foreign correspondents - records to include the amount spent in relation to each individual correspondent and a breakdown of costs for rent, subsistence, expenses etc.	Journalist	Refused. Section 15(1)(c).
195	21 November 2017	Details of winners of the main €20k prize offered by 'The Late Late Show' over the last 20 years.	Member of the Public	Withdrawn.
196	21 November 2017	All complaints from politicians sent to RTÉ from 1 January 2017 to 20 November 2017, about political bias or other biases in RTÉ programming/reporting.	Journalist	Withdrawn.
197	24 November 2017	All correspondence between RTÉ and the Football Association of Ireland (FAI) between September 1, 2015 and November 23, 2017.	Journalist	Refused. Section 15(1)(c).
198	27 November 2017	Correspondence during 2017 between presenters on RTÉ's digital stations and station management, on the issue of pay since Jan 2016. The cost of a decision to pay presenters to the station including back payments, and correspondence with the NUJ on the matter since Jan 2016.	Journalist	Refused. Section 30.



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199	27 November 2017	How much RTÉ spent in total in 2016 on Christmas decorations and staff parties: i.e. Christmas-related items & events and a breakdown of costs including: Christmas cards & presents, Christmas trees, decorations, lights & electrical running cost and a party for RTÉ staff (also request costs for 2014 & 2015).	Journalist	Granted in part. Section 15(1)(c).
200	28 November 2017	The daily rate paid by RTÉ to 'Fair City' staff during 2017; the proposed cost of moving the 'Fair City' set to new location; production costs annually - what does this amount to for 2017 and what is the total number of staff working on the programme.	Journalist	Granted in part. Sections: 35(1)(a), 36(1)(b) and (c), and under Data Protection legislation.
201	28 November 2017	If RTÉ received internal complaints of harassment from RTÉ staff or workers during the period 2013-2017, and if so, how many and involving what departments.	Journalist	Granted in part. Sections: 35(1)(a), 37 and under Data Protection legislation.
202	28 November 2017	The total cost of RTÉ transport in 2016 (to include guests, contributors, performers, contractors and staff).	Journalist	Granted.
203	28 November 2017	1. The total cost to RTÉ of its wardrobe bill for 2016, broken down into department; 2. the total amount spent on hairdressing and make-up for 2016.	Journalist	Granted in part.  Part 2 of request - Section 15(1)(a) – no ready record exists.

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204	29 November 2018	Records of information on salaries for named RTÉ staff.	Member of the Public	Withdrawn.
205	4 December 2018	Records of how many commercial relationships four named RTÉ presenters declared to RTÉ in 2016.	Journalist	Granted.
206	4 December 2018	If a named RTÉ presenter made a legal attempt during 2017 to prevent details of their 2015 earnings being made public	Journalist	Refused. Section 15(1)(a) – no records exist.
207	5 December 2018	Records of costs incurred in making the set for 'The Late Late Toy Show' and a breakdown of those costs; total cost incurred on costumes for the show; a list of prizes given for members of the audience; a 'county-by-county' breakdown of recipients of audience tickets; the number of advertisements sold for the show and revenue generated from same; the total cost associated with 'putting the show together' and a breakdown of those costs.	Journalist	Refused. Sections: 15(1)(a) and (d), 35(1)(a), 36(1)(b) and (c).
208	5 December 2018	Did RTÉ hire a private investigator to investigate a twitter account called 'RTÉ Secret Producer' during August 2017-December 2017. If so, how much was spent on using this service.	Journalist	Refused. Section 15(1)(a) – no records exist.
209	7 December 2018	Details of the number of complaints of sexual harassment made by RTÉ staff in both 2016 and 2017 and if complaints were upheld, rejected or whether investigations are ongoing.	Journalist	Refused. Section 15(1)(a) – no records exist.

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210	7 December 2018	Records in relation to RTÉ casual contracts: the number of employees on casual contracts in RTÉ in 2015, 2016 and so far in 2017 (broken by department or programme), and the total cost of these contracts to RTÉ for those years.	Journalist	Granted.
211	11 December 2018	Records of the total number of votes cast for 'Ireland's Best Sporting Moment' (broadcast 7 December 2017).	Member of the public	Refused. Sections: 35(1)(a), 36(1)(b) and (c) and Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000.
212	11 December 2017	Records of how much money each contestant on 'Dancing with the Stars' will be paid (per week) during the 2018 series of the show, and if amounts vary between them.	Member of the Public	Refused. Sections: 35(1)(a), 36(1)(b) and (c), 37, Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000, under Data Protection legislation.
213	12 December 2017	Records of the number of persons from: the traveller community, immigrant community and LGBT community that have been interviewed, or have been a panellist, or guest contributor on RTÉ radio and television current affairs programmes - 2017 to date (excluding Prime Time and Claire Byrne Live). How many women and how many people with a disability have been interviewed, have been a panellist, or guest contributor on RTÉs radio and television current affairs programmes - 2017 to date (excluding Prime Time and Claire Byrne Live).	Member of the Public	Refused. Section 15(1)(a) – records do not exist.

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214	12 December 2017	Minutes of RTÉ meetings and correspondence with Government departments.	Member of staff	Granted in part. Sections: 15(1)(a), 29, 30, 36(1)(b) and (c).
215	14 December 2017	Copy of an external report produced for RTÉ, and a subsequent presentation to RTE.	Member of staff	Refused. Section 15(1)(a) – records do not exist.
216	14 December 2017	Copies of minutes of meetings of RTÉ Executive from 2008 to 2017.	Member of staff	Refused. Sections: 29, 30, 35(1)(a), 36(1)(b) and (c).
217	18 December 2017	Records of expenses claimed by RTÉ department for a restaurant from 2013 to 2016.	Member of the public	Refused. Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000.
218	18 December 2017	Records of RTÉ commissioned programmes (2007-2010) with family connections to programme team.	Member of the public	Refused. Sections: 35(1)(a), 37, Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000 and under Data Protection legislation.
219	18 December 2017	Records of RTÉ-produced programmes (2007-2009) with family connections to programme team.	Member of the public	Refused. Sections: 35(1)(a), 37, Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000 and under Data Protection legislation.

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220	20 December 2017	Records relating to discussions involving an RTÉ presenter and possible candidacy for public office.	Journalist	Refused. Sections: 29, 30, 35(1)(a), 37 and under Data Protection legislation.