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FOI No.	Date FOI Received	Freedom Of Information Request	Requester	Decision
201.	13.10.2023	All records between March 1st - October 1st 2023 which note/reflect the number of staff, freelance, fixed term and contractors in the pay of RTÉ during that timeframe.	Journalist.	Granted.
202.	03.10.2023	All documents/records, incl records in electronic format, held concerning RTÉs programme, Fair City, & full volume of press clippings/coverage of programme over last three years, and cost of running these measures in the same time frame. In particular, such records should include dates/publications for all coverage of programme, and whether all content licensed by RTÉ was completed by RTÉ employees, or external workers i.e. photographers.	Member of the public.	Refused. Section 15(1)(b) as a result of Section 12(1)(b).
203.	26.09.2023	Request re. 'Liveline' / various.	Member of the public.	Refused. Section 15(1)(g).
204.	13.10.2023	Copy of discussion paper sent by DG of TG4 to RTÉ (Kevin Bakhurst) re. news service (mentioned in interview conducted by DG of TG4 on the Adhmadin program on RTÉ RnaG on 12 Oct 2023 (receive all the information electronically and in the language it was written without translation).	Member of staff.	Refused. Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000.
205.	19.10.2023	The report referred to in the comment of the following section of the RTÉ Annual report 2009; Page 41; Table section "Control and Manage Costs"; Review RTÉ Vanbrugh Quartet 2007-2009 Service Contract; Comment: Review carried out. Paper (5 scenarios) presented to MD Radio Q3.	Member of the public.	Granted in part. Section 37(').
206.	23.10.2023	RTÉ Board 2019 Director "emolument forms" from each of its directors on the RTÉ board in 2019; board members' dealings with RTÉ as detailed on the forms, and should the value of such dealings be deemed confidential or commercially sensitive, to see the description of the dealings with values redacted	Member of the public.	Refused. Section 37(1)(a).

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207.	23.10.2023	Information on any records, statistics, or general information surrounding RTÉ's coverage of the 'Holy Cross' Dispute from June 2001-January 2002.	Member of the public.	Refused. Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000.
208.	31.10.2023	A database/spreadsheet/list for 2020, 2021, 2022, and thus far in 2023 containing: number of employees sacked and reason for dismissal of each; number of employees suspended and reason for suspension; number of complaints of bullying received and the number of complaints of sexual harassment received.	Journalist.	Granted.
209.	07.11.2023	All correspondence between RTÉ Board Chairperson Moya Doherty and RTÉ Director General Dee Forbes regarding the contract/remuneration of Ryan Tubridy between 2019 and 2022	Journalist.	Refused. Section 15(1)(a).
210.	07.11.2023	All correspondence between RTÉ Director General and the Minister for Media between 2020 to date (November 7 th 2023).	Journalist.	Granted in part. Sections: 29(1)(a) and (b); 30(1)(a) and (b); 36(1)(b) and (c).
211.	07.11.2023	The minutes of all meetings of the RTÉ Board audit and risk committee between 2020 and to date November 7 th , 2023.	Journalist.	Granted in part. Sections: 29(1)(a), (b); 30(1)(b), (c); 36(1)(b), (c); 37(1).

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212.	07.11.2023	All correspondence between the RTÉ Board Audit and Risk committee and RTÉ's Internal auditors between 2020 and to date November 7th, 2023.	Journalist.	Granted in part. Sections: 15(1)(a); 29; S. 36(1)(b); 37(1).
213.	07.11.2023	All correspondence from the Israeli ambassador to Ireland, and/or the Israeli embassy, to RTÉ management which contains the phrase ' Hamas-run health ministry' or refers to the health ministry in Gaza being run by Hamas, sent from 7 October 2023 to date.	Member of the Oireachtas	Refused. Section 15(1)(a).
214.	24.11.2023	Response by RTÉ Board to RTÉ Audience Council Effectiveness Review letter/presentation material submitted to Board in July 2018 (pages 101-109 of the 2018 Redacted Audience Council Communiqués and Presentations.pdf file received to me previously under FOI 2021-134); (b) Response by RTÉ Board to request for detailed end of term feedback to Audience Council based on data request specified in May 2023 Joint Board/Audience Council meeting minute (released under FOI 2023- 133); (c) Response by the RTÉ Board to Recommendation 6.2 in Interim Report of Audience Council 2019/2020 (p.10) involving request for broadcasting time for Audience Council under Broadcasting Act 2009. (page 10 of the 2019-2021 Audience Council Communiqués and Presentations.pdf previously released under FOI 2021-134.)	Journalist.	Granted in part. Section 15(1)(a).
215.	10.11.2023	Copies of complaints sent to RTÉ by members of the public about the RTÉ Player from 1 September to 9 November 2023.	Journalist.	Granted in part. Section 37(1).
216.	15.11.2023	The release of the comprehensive review of RTÉ Revised Strategy 2020-2024 submitted to Government in 2023; provide correspondence, internal/external, re above report; letters, emails, text/WhatsApp messages, memos, notes, reports, draft reports & any relevant records created, sent/received by RTÉ.	Member of the public.	Granted in part. Sections: 36(1)(a), (b) and (c); 37(1). Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000.

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217.	14.11.2023	All records, including emails, other correspondence, minutes of meetings, or any other relevant documents, within RTÉ (in particular members of RTÉ's leadership team) relating to a staff feedback survey on demands, control, support, relationships, role, and change within RTÉ (started in late August and concluded on 1 October); include individual electronic/written submissions by staff/contractors as well as interim/finalised reports on results; any such documents on the matter between RTÉ and Department of Culture and/or Work Positive, Wellhub, Health and Safety Authority, National Treasury Management Agency - between July 22nd and today's date.	Journalist	Granted in part. Sections: 15(1)(a), 31(1)(a).
218.	31.10.2023	Questionnaire: RTÉ IT systems: number of devices (by type); device replace/ 'refresh' plans and expected expenditure on same.	Business/ Interest Group	Granted.
219.	16.11.2023	Copies of the minutes all RTÉ board committee and sub-committee meetings from 1st May 2023 today (16 November 2023).	Journalist.	Granted in part. Sections: 30(1)(a) and (b); 36(1)(b) and (c); 37(1).
220.	17.11.2024	A copy of any commercial and/or sponsorship agreement between the 'Rose of Tralee Festival' and RTÉ for 2022 and 2023, payments by RTÉ to the Festival as well as staff or directors, associated with this agreement and records relating to this agreement.	Journalist	Refused. Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000.
221.	21.11.2024	Every complaint sent to RTÉ News: Six One from January 1, 2023 to November 21, 2023.	Journalist	Refused. Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000.

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222.	23.11.2023	All correspondence received by RTÉ since 1 Jan 2023 relating to the decision to cease broadcasting on Longwave.	Journalist	Granted in part. Section 37(1).
223.	28.11.2023	Records relating to the amount paid to TV licence inspectors, and the number of inspectors in 2021, 2022 and first 10 months of 2023, with a breakdown by year.	Journalist	Refused. Section 15(1)(a).
224.	28.11.2023	1.A full copy of your Fixed Asset Register for each of the last five years. It should include lists of additions and disposals for each year. The copy should be made on a spreadsheet, if available. 2. A full copy of your Risk Register for each of the last five years.	Journalist	Granted in part. Section 15(1)(c).
225.	29.11.2023	How many song submissions were made to RTÉ for the Eurovision Song Contest in 2024 in Malmo, Sweden? How many songs were listened to by the panel chosen to select songs to be performed on 'The Late Late Show' in 2024 for selection by the Irish public. What are the names of the individuals on the selection/listening panel?	Member of the public	Granted in part. Section 37(1).
226.	29.11.2023	Re. RTÉ TV advertisement: the number of times a specific 'Heineken' advertisement was shown on RTÉ One and RTÉ Two: August-Dec inc. 2022 and Jan-June inc. 2023 (photographs of 'screen grabs' attached).	Member of the public	Refused. Section 15(1)(a).
227.	15.12.2023	Re: Reports made in 2023 concerning RTÉ's building in Cork: a copy of the building evaluation which was recently updated and an outline planning report that was prepared after the evaluation.	Journalist	Granted in part. Sections: 29(1)(a) and (b); 30(1)(c), S. 36(1)(b) and (c).

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228.	04.12.2023	All records/invoices relating to the cost associated with production/broadcast of the 'Tomorrow Tonight' programme made by RTÉ.	Journalist	Refused. Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000.
229.	06.12.2023	The latest JNLR (November 2023) figures for Countrywide - Saturday morning's radio 1 show.	Journalist	Withdrawn.
230.	08.12.2023	All minutes of meetings of the RTÉ board from 2019 and 2020, as well as the minutes of the one meeting of the RTÉ Board Remuneration Committee that took place in 2019.	Journalist	Granted in part. Sections: 15(1)(a); 36(1), 37(1) Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000.
231.	13.12.2023	Any records/studies or policies produced by/for RTÉ Board or sub committees this year in re. to tweets by presenters and/or tweet by Gary Lineker in March relating to UK government's refugee policy - specifically a possible 'case study' referenced in minutes of RTÉ Board's 21 March meeting (discussed as a possibility by RTÉ Board Member).	Journalist	Granted.
232.	15.12.2023	Copies (in electronic form) of all records relating to RTÉ's duty to promote equality, prevent discrimination and protect the human rights with reference to LGBT issues since June 1, 2022, to the present date.	Member of the public	Refused. S. 15(1)(a) RTÉ Diversity & Inclusivity Policy plus detailed narrative sent.

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233.	15.12.2023	The budget for the presenters wardrobes on 'Dancing With The Stars'? Is the budget shared between two presenters or do they have their own allowance? If so, what is the amount for each presenter; what was total wardrobe budget for presenters for 2023 season; How much was spent on their wardrobes for 2023 season; what is wardrobe budget for the two presenters for the 2024 season; are the clothes worn by presenters bought or borrowed; What happens to clothes after they're worn; are presenters allowed to wear the clothes outside of the show, in their personal lives?	Journalist	Refused. Section 36. Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000.
234.	15.12.2023	Records of all inspection reports and related documents, including invoices, received from pest control service providers regarding work carried out at RTÉ facilities during 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023.	Journalist	Granted in part. Sections: 36(1); 37(1).
235.	15.2023	Records of all communications sent en-masse to RTÉ staff regarding pest control issues and efforts at RTÉ facilities in 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023.	Journalist	Granted
236.	18.12.2023	For each year from 2019 to 2023: 1. A record of total no. of staff complaints related to workplace bullying/harassment, with a monthly or annual breakdown as applicable. 2. detailed breakdown of complaints by type of incident, inc. but not limited to sexual harassment, verbal harassment, physical harassment, and online harassment. 3. breakdown of complaints according to gender of complainant and, if possible, accused. 4. Information on outcomes of complaints, specifically detailing whether each was upheld, withdrawn, or resulted in any disciplinary/corrective actions, inc. policy changes. 5. anonymised examples of bullying incidents as reported to HR.	Member of the public	Granted in part. Sections: 30(1); 37(1).

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237.	18.12.2023	<p>Between 1 January 2023 to 18th December 2023: 1. Any corres. since 1 January 2023, between RTÉ chairwoman, RTÉ Board or Board's A&R committee and Deloitte in relation to Deloitte's work as auditor to RTÉ. 2 Any preparatory notes, reports, assessments/evaluations prepared within/outside RTÉ for RTÉ chairwoman, RTÉ Board or Board's A&R committee in re. to Deloitte's performance as RTÉ auditor. 3. any preparatory notes, reports, assessments/evaluations prepared within/outside RTÉ since for RTÉ chairwoman, RTÉ Board or Board's A&R committee in re. to continuation or otherwise of Deloitte's mandate as RTÉ auditor. 4. Board minutes or any other Board records on any discussions at RTÉ Board in re to Deloitte's performance; minutes or any other Board records on any decisions/votes put to RTÉ Board in re. to Deloitte's performance. 5. Minutes or any other records of any meetings, between RTÉ chairwoman, RTÉ Board or Board's A&R committee and Deloitte in re. to its work as RTÉ auditor. 6. Any preparatory notes, reports, assessments/evaluations provided by Deloitte to RTÉ chairwoman, RTÉ Board or Board's A&R committee in re. to Deloitte's work as RTÉ auditor.</p>	Journalist	<p>Granted in part.</p> <p>Sections: 15(1)(d); 36(1)(b) and (c); 37(1).</p>
238.	19.12.2023	<p>All records relating to discussions held by RTÉ management over Ireland's participation in Eurovision 2024 since October 2023; also request all records relating to discussions surrounding petition calling for a boycott of the contest and possible responses available to RTÉ. These records may include, but are not limited to, any letters, emails, meeting minutes, text messages, WhatsApp messages, memos, notes, reports, draft reports and any other relevant records that were created, sent or received in relation to the above.</p>	Member of the public.	<p>Refused.</p> <p>Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000.</p>

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239.	19.12.2023	All communications between RTÉ and Indiepics ('Ear to the Ground' Department) which include the topics of i) Climate Change, ii) Sustainability and iii) Environment - between 01 August 2021 and 01 April 2022.	Journalist	Refused. Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000.