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97.	04.07.2024	Copies of any relevant documentation of RTÉ staff attending embassy ('social') events, such as 4 July celebrations, do so in their own free time or during their official working hours.	Member of the public.	Refused. Section 15(1)(a).
98.	15.07.2024	The minutes of the joint AC/ RTÉ Board meeting which took place in June 2024; copies of the content of each of the presentations made by the Audience Council to the Board during the meeting; copy of the recommendations made by the Audience Council to the Board as part of this meeting.	Member of the public.	Granted in part.
99.	17.07.2024	A database/spreadsheet/record of the amount paid in fees to guests or contributors for the following shows in the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024: the Late Late Show, Primetime, the Tommy Tiernan Show, Saturday with Katie Hannon, Sunday with Miriam, the Brendan O'Connor Show, Morning Ireland, the Ray D'Arcy Show, Drivetime, Today with Claire Byrne, RTÉ News: Six One, RTÉ News: Nine O'Clock, Upfront with Katie Hannon.	Journalist.	Granted in part. Section 15(1)(a).
100.	24.07.2024	The number of podcast presenters contracted by RTÉ who are paid at least or over €100k; request to cover the last three years.	Journalist.	Refused. Section 15(1)(a).
101.	30.07.2024	Files and correspondence relating to the purchase of Ladurée macrons by RTÉ Commercial Department for delivery to associates in the week beginning Monday, 22nd July 2024; correspondence with Ladurée or any third party agency arranging the gifts; invoices arising from the purchase and delivery of personalised Ladurée macarons; a list of the recipients of the Ladurée macarons (appreciate this part will be rejected on GDPR grounds, but the number and location of recipients should not be);	Journalist.	Granted in part. Sections: 36(1)(b); 37(1).
102.	30.07.2024	A copy of the financial details accompanying the RTÉ Statement of Strategy 2025 - 2029 provided in a separate document to the Minister for Media, New ERA and Coimisiún na Meán.	Journalist.	Granted in part. Sections: 29(1)(a), (b); 30(1)(b), (c); 36(1)(a), (b), (c).

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103.	31/03/2024	<p>1.No. of hours of Irish Sign Language (ISL) broadcasting across RTÉ platforms for 2021, 2022 and 2023.</p> <p>2. information be given in hours per year selected, and also presented as a % of overall content of hours of broadcast each year.</p> <p>3. data be segregated to show how much content is on TV, and how much is online content. (Please make sure to count ISL broadcasts only once if they are replayed (if, for example, the RTÉ News With Signing is broadcast at 17:55 on RTÉ 1 but then repeated at a later time on RTÉ News Now, please only count this as one example of a television broadcast. However if a television broadcast without ISL is later available on the RTÉ Player with ISL, this online content should be counted as online content);</p> <p>4. how much of ISL TV content (as opposed to online content) occurs between 11pm and 9am in hours over the years selected.</p>	Member of the public.	Granted in part. Section 15(1)(a).
104.	01.08.2024	All requests made to engage in outside work (e.g MC, media training etc) and the response that issued in each instance, to cover the period 1 Jan 2023 to 30 June 2024 to cover named staff / contractors.	Journalist.	Granted in part. Sections 15(1)(a).
105.	06.08.2024	All Credit Card Statements and all bank account statements for December 2023, January 2024, and June 2024	Member of the public.	Refused Section 15(1)(c)
106.	06.08.2024	The most recent figures showing a breakdown of the total expenditure of RTÉ's coverage of the 2024 Summer Olympics.	Member of the Oireachtas	Refused. Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000.

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107.	12.08.2024	Any documents that relate to the estimated cost of €300 million over 12 years that would be needed to bring existing RTÉ buildings at Donnybrook up to standard, as cited by Kevin Bakhurst.	Journalist.	Refused. Sections: 29(1)(a), (b); 30(1)(b), (c); 36 (1)(a), (b), (c); 40(1)(b)(i).
108.	12.08.2024	All correspondence from 1 June 2023 to date between/from and to, RTÉ officials and outside parties, incl but not limited to, government officials, politicians, architects, planners, planning consultants, building heritage experts re RTÉ buildings and RTÉ site at Donnybrook	Journalist.	Refused.
109.	13.08.2024	1. Documentation outlining the planned ICT procurements, including hardware, software, maintenance agreements, and related services, scheduled for this year. 2. Information on any planned ICT projects or initiatives for the current fiscal year. 3. Details on budget allocations earmarked for ICT procurement. 4. Timelines associated with the procurement processes. 5. Any tender notices or requests for proposals related to ICT procurement, if available.	Business / Interest Group	Refused.
110.	13.08.2024	The material issued in response to FOI request 19 - 2020: Correspondence between RTÉ & a named politician re FOI request made by him for details of salary/expenses paid to RTÉ GAA analyst. Copies of the notes of any telephone conversation between RTÉ and named politician.	Member of the public.	Granted.
111.	19.08.2024	Copy of all correspondence between RTÉ and the Data Protection Commission regarding publication of details from its Register of External Activities or any other existing or proposed register of interests.	Journalist.	Granted in part.
112.	21.08.2024	1 Jan-31 Dec 2023: Television: All payments made to guests or contributors on 1. The Week in Politics, 2) Prime Time, 3) The Late Late Show, 4) Nine O' Clock News, 5) Six O' Clock News, 6) One O' Clock News; Radio: 1. Morning Ireland, 2. Drivetime, 3. Today with Claire Byrne, 4. The Ray D'Arcy Show, 5. Sunday with Miriam, 6. The Ray D'Arcy Show, 7. Oliver Callan, 8. News at One, 9. Brendan O'Connor.	Journalist.	Granted.

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113.	22/08/2024	Copies of all memoranda, briefing notes, circulars or emails issued to RTÉ staff, contractors, presenters and newsreaders from 1 July 2024 to date in relation to the US presidential election and RTÉ's coverage and reporting of same. Copies of all memoranda, briefing notes, circulars or emails issued to RTÉ staff, contractors, presenters and newsreaders from 1 July 2024 to date in relation to the pronunciation of Kamala Harris' name. Copies of all memoranda, briefing notes, circulars or emails issued to RTÉ staff, contractors, presenters and newsreaders from 1 January 2020 to date in relation to the pronunciation of the names of any other politicians or public figures in Ireland or abroad.	Member of the public.	Refused. Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000.
114.	27/08/2024	Number of correspondences from members of the public to RTÉ regarding the broadcaster's coverage of the League of Ireland. Examples of correspondences from members of the public to RTÉ regarding the broadcaster's coverage of the League of Ireland.	Journalist.	Refused. Sections:15(1)(a). Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000.
115.	29/08/2024	From 2022 to 28th August 2024: a record/ spreadsheet/ database of the number of defamation cases; a record of how much was paid out in damages associated with defamation cases in each of the years listed above (aggregate yearly figure); a record of how much was paid out in legal fees or external legal advice associated with defamation cases in the years listed above (aggregate yearly figure).	Journalist.	Granted in part. Section: 37(1).

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116.	02/09/2024	From 2022-2024: a record of: number of employees that have taken redundancy at RTÉ; how much has been paid in redundancy payments; number of employees that have been placed on 'garden leave' in each; record of how much has been paid in 'garden leave' during the entire period; how many staff have taken any form of career break or incentivised career break; how much has been paid to employees on incentivised career breaks during the entire period (if applicable).	Journalist	Part grant Section 37(1)
117.	10/09/2024	What efforts RTÉ specifically has made to gain access over this period of time? Specifically, RTÉ and not the AP or any other partners: requests relates specifically to RTÉ on what requests to both the Israeli and Egypt embassies or their officials have been made? The response should contain when the request was made, how many times, the detail of the request and also the responses from both countries.	Member of the public.	Refused. Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000.
118.	13/09/2024	A copy of the documents containing the following information be provided to me: records which relate to the remuneration details of the top 5 presenters on radio and television engaged by independent production companies by RTÉ in 2023.	Member of staff.	Refused. Section: 15(1)(a).
119.	16/09/2024	Information relating to the requestor and 'Liveline'.	Member of the public.	Refused. Sections 15, 31, 36 and S.I. 115/2000
120.	17/09/2024	RTÉ investigates programme "Inside the Protests" to be televised this Thursday the 19th Sept at 9.30. 1. The total cost of the production.2. All correspondence by email or meetings between RTÉ and Barry O'Kelly, Barry O Kelly's production company or any other person in relation to the production.	Member of the public.	Refused. Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000.

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121.	20.09/2024	All RTÉ Credit Card Statements for January 2024 and June 2024	Member of the public.	
122.	24.09.2024	RTÉ Investigates (12 June 2024): full & complete details of identity of all trainers RTÉ contacted re. horses they had trained that were slaughtered in Shannonside abattoir – in form of copies of all correspondence between RTÉ & individual trainers. 2. Full & complete details of identity of all thoroughbred horses RTÉ discovered as having been euthanised in abattoir from 2009-2024 (in the form of copies of official documents RTÉ acquired revealing horses' names or breeding (sire and/or dam) if they had not been named at date of slaughter.	Journalist.	Refused. Statutory Instrument SI 115 of 2000.
123.	27.09.2024	Release of records relating to the costs of a tent used by RTÉ for presentations/stalls at the recent 'Electric Picnic' and 'Ploughing Championships'; specifically seeking details of all associated costs related to the hiring and usage of the tent, including rental, construction etc.	Journalist.	Granted