

Ref: RFI/350/2016. Please quote this reference in any communication.

Request Date: 19 October 2016

Dear Sir / Madam

**REQUEST FOR ACCESS TO INFORMATION
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000**

With reference to your email in which you requested access to information held by Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council under the above legislation.

The Causeway Coast and Glens Council was formed under the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 effective 1 April 2015 and replaces the former councils of Ballymoney, Coleraine and Limavady Borough Councils and Moyle District Council. Requests made to the legacy councils since 1 April 2015 are being handled by the Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council and duplicate requests made to the legacy councils will be treated as one request.

Your Request:

Please kindly provide a list of council-run buildings (including Libraries, Day Care Centres, Community Centres, Schools and Administrative bases) which your Council has had to close since 2010. Please provide the name of the buildings and the postcodes of the buildings.

Such closures would include those where people have to seek the same type of service from a different location* which already exists (or maybe there is no alternative available). * If there are any scenarios where a service provision is not closed but relocated across the road to another council building I don't require information on that.

I require the list to include buildings closed and disposed plus buildings that are re-let following service closures. If there is a scenario where the building is closed but still under council ownership then please include that in the list.

I'm only interested however in the buildings in which you provided a service that you were forced to close due to Government cuts to your budget making it no longer financially viable for you to keep such buildings open.

Response:

I wish to advise you that Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council holds no information in relation to your request as Council has closed no council run buildings since 2010 in which the Council provided a service that the Council was forced to close due to Government cuts to budgets making it no longer financially viable for the Council to keep such buildings open.

If you have any queries in relation to your request for access to information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

If you are dissatisfied with how the Council handled your request for information, you have the right to request that the Council formally review this decision. If you wish to do so, please write within 40 working days to the:

Chief Executive
Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council
Cloonavin
66 Portstewart Road
Coleraine, BT52 1EY.

Should you remain dissatisfied following the Council's internal review, you can seek an independent review from the Information Commission. A request for an independent review should be made in writing to: Information Commissioner at ICO, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. The Commissioner has indicated that a review will not be undertaken unless the Council has first had an opportunity to reconsider its decision.

Please be advised that under the Freedom of Information Act, replies including the request may be released into the public domain via our website www.coastwaycoastandglens.gov.uk. Personal details in respect of your request will, where applicable, be removed to protect confidentiality.

Yours sincerely

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