Department of the Taoiseach			
List of non-personal Freedom of Information requests granted			
Quarter 1 2020			
Reference No	**Description**	**Completion Date**	**Decision**
FOI/2019/0467	Details of the gifts received by Taoiseach Leo Varadkar by foreign dignitaries and Heads of State to date in 2019. A breakdown of the gifts received and from whom they were given. A breakdown of gifts given by the Taoiseach to foreign dignitaries and Heads of State on their visits here or on trips made by the Taoiseach abroad to date in 2019.	02/02/2020	Granted
FOI/2019/0469	Copies of correspondence sent by members of the public to the Department and Taoiseach regarding TD Maria Bailey between May 2019 to date (2-12-19).	02/01/2020	Part granted
FOI/2019/0471	All internal and external correspondence in relation to: the construction of the M20 between Cork and Limerick. This should include but not be limited to correspondence within the Department, with other Departments and with other bodies and public reps. The time-span should be between November 2018 to date.	10/01/2020	Part granted
FOI/2019/0474	Copies of all records held referring/relating to planning of transport for the Taoiseach's trip to the EPP Congress in Zagreb.	06/01/2020	Part granted
FOI/2019/0475	Copies of any records held referring/relating to the issue of cost over-runs for the printer at Leinster House.	06/01/2020	Part granted
FOI/2019/0477	All correspondence exchanged between (a) google/YouTube/Alphabet, (b) facebook/whatsapp/Instagram, (c) Apple, (d) LinkedIn, (e) Microsoft, (f) Amazon and (g) Intel with the Taoiseach or anyone above the grade of Principal Officer in the Department of Taoiseach. The correspondence should include all correspondence or communication, sent by email, text message, whatsapp, letter or any other format, between January 1, 2019 and December 7, 2019.	10/01/2020	Part granted
FOI/2019/0479	Copies of all Cabinet records relating to the reform/reorganisation of the system of parliamentary expenses that took place in late 2009/early 2010. Copies of all Cabinet records relating to the further reform/reorganisation of parliamentary expenses that took place in September 2012.	10/01/2020	Part granted
FOI/2019/0480	A spreadsheet/table of how much has been paid by the Department for VIP facilities at Dublin Airport (and any other airport) for the period 2017, 2018, and 2019. A breakdown of these payments (2017-2019) according to office-holder, to include total amounts for the following individuals or category of individual: former presidents, former Taoisigh, the EU Commissioner, visiting dignitaries, any other category/individual.	13/01/2020	Granted

FOI/2019/0481	Any (including any appendices or documents related to or attached to): ·Memorandum for Government ·Aide Memories ·Government decisions pertaining to the system of direct provision for asylum seekers between 01/01/2007 and 31/12/2010.	20/01/2019	Part granted
FOI/2019/0482	a. As has been reported by the Irish Independent the Taoiseach (and/or Irish Government) , on or about the eve of the UK 2019 general election, (December 12, 2019) received a written appeal from a self styled "Conservative Group for Europe", broadly urging him to take note of what they speculated was a supposed “growing momentum" for a final say by the British public on Brexit”. In their letter the group expressed a view that the only way out of what they perceived as a "crisis" was a so-called People’s Vote a "confirmatory" vote by the British public. b. The self styled group included (inter alia) the likes of a man called Dominic Grieve , a former Conservative MP, and a man called Michael Heseltine. c. This FOI request is for: a copy of that group's letter and a copy of the Taoiseach's reply - which should be understood to include a copy transcript of a verbal reply if appropriate.	17/01/2020	Granted
FOI/2019/0483	A breakdown of costs during 2018 and 2019 for the use of VIP facilities at Dublin Airport by former and current office holders. Please break down the cost by individual recipient. A breakdown of costs during 2018 and 2019 associated with the use of State cars or secretarial services by former Taoisigh. Please include a breakdown of the cost by individual recipient.	20/01/2020	Granted
FOI/2019/0484	All correspondence exchanged between the Taoiseach or any Department of Taoiseach officials at, or above, the grade of Principal Officer and the European Ombudsman, Emily O'Reilly, or any of her officials at, or above, a similar grade. The correspondence should include all correspondence or communication, sent by email, text message, whatsapp, letter or any other format, between January 1, 2017 and December 18, 2019.	27/01/2020	Granted
FOI/2019/0487	Copies of all records held relating or referring to the award of a contract to Western Building Systems to construct a 60 bed modular ward block at University Hospital Limerick. This request to cover the period 1 June 2019 to date of receipt of the request.	27/01/2020	Part granted
FOI/2019/0489	Copies of all Cabinet records relating/referring to Irish Water. Copies of all Cabinet records relating/referring to John Tierney. Both parts of this request to cover the period 1 July 2014 to 31 December 2014.	17/02/2020	Part granted

FOI/2020/0001	All records relating to this entry in the lobbying database: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/53160/irish-self-catering-federation	31/01/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0002	Copies of all correspondence from Fine Gael TD Dara Murphy to the Taoiseach's Office since May 2017. Please include all responses to Mr Murphy from the Taoiseach's Office in the same period. Please include correspondence to and from the Taoiseach directly or any of his political advisers.	31/01/2020	Granted
FOI/2020/0003	All emails or letters sent from the Department of Taoiseach to the Office of Public Works regarding pest control issues in Government buildings in 2019. All emails or letters sent from the Department of Taoiseach to pest control companies regarding pest control issues in Government buildings in 2019.	31/01/2020	Granted
FOI/2020/0004	Copies of any records held referring or relating to the following gift which was received by Ceann Comhairle Seán Ó Fearghaíl and declared in the register of interests for 2018 by him: 5 gifts.....Timepiece: President of Federal National Council U.A.E. (Dr. Al Qaibasi). Other Information provided: Given to Secretary General to Government as per Ethics Acts 1995 and 2001. This request only to cover the period 6 March 2019 to date of the receipt of this request.	05/02/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0007	The total amount of money spent by the Department on flights and the total number of flights taken by the Department in 2017, 2018 and 2019 broken down by year. A breakdown of all flights made by the Department's Ministers during 2017, 2018 and 2019 and the destinations that were travelled to.	10/02/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0008	A list of all the gifts presented by the Taoiseach in 2018; please include a description of the gift, the cost, where it was purchased, and to whom it was given. A list of all the gifts received by the Taoiseach in 2018; please include a description of the gift and who gave it. A list of all the gifts presented by the Taoiseach in 2019; please include a description of the gift, the cost, where it was purchased, and to whom it was given. A list of all the gifts received by the Taoiseach in 2019; please include a description of the gift and who gave it. When conducting your search and retrieval please consider official information held on non-official systems, emails accounts and devices, for example WhatsApp groups etc.		Granted
FOI/2020/0009	Transcripts of any complaints made to the Department of the Taoiseach since 29 December 2019 over comments made by Taoiseach Leo Varadkar in which is said he isn't ashamed of his government's record when it comes to housing. Transcripts of any correspondence made by politicians to an Taoiseach since 29 December 2019 over the above comments.	04/02/2020	Part granted

FOI/2020/0011	All correspondence/records - including emails, reports, memos and letters dated between 15th July 2018 and 10/01/2020 regarding Royal Irish Constabulary (RIC) and Dublin Metropolitan Police (DMP) commemoration plans for 2020. This should include correspondence from/to the Expert Advisory Group and any correspondence to/from Ministers and Taoiseach Leo Varadkar.	07/02/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0012	All briefing materials prepared for the Taoiseach regarding a cancelled RIC/DMP commemorative event planned for Dublin Castle on January 17th 2020, dated between 15 November 2019 and the current date. The minutes of all Civil Service Management Board meetings dealing with the Decade of Centenaries events, dated between 1 September 2019 and the current date.	07/02/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0013	All internal and external correspondence in January 2020 held by the department on the issue of the proposed RIC commemoration at Dublin Castle.	07/02/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0014	All correspondence between the Department of the Taoiseach and the Department of Justice regarding the proposal to commemorate the RIC and the DMP at Dublin Castle.	07/02/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0017	Copies of any records held referring or relating to the planned commemoration for the RIC that was to be held later this month. This request to cover the period 1 January 2020 to date of receipt of the request. Copies of any representations received by your department relating to the above.	07/02/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0018	Any correspondence related to the hosting of the Decade of Centenaries commemoration event for the RIC and the Dublin Metropolitan Police (DMP) at Dublin Castle, which was originally planned to take place on January 17 before postponement. This should include, but not be limited to, emails sent to the Department, the Taoiseach and his advisors, and sent by the Department, the Taoiseach and advisors, briefing notes prepared for the Taoiseach, and memos. These documents should refer to the period of January 1, 2019 to January 8, 2020.	07/02/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0019	A copy of all correspondence relating to the planned commemoration of the Royal Irish Constabulary and Dublin Metropolitan Police. A copy of all correspondence relating to the cancellation of the planned commemoration of the Royal Irish Constabulary and Dublin Metropolitan Police. When conducting your search and retrieval please consider official information held on non-official systems, emails accounts and devices, for example WhatsApp groups etc.	07/02/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0020	Copies of all letters, emails and other written communications from the public to the Taoiseach and/or Department of An Taoiseach between January 1st, 2019 and January 9th, 2019 concerning State commemoration of the Royal Irish Constabulary/RIC, the “Black and Tans”, “the Auxiliaries” and British forces in general. I require only the content of the letters and not the senders’ names or addresses.	07/02/2020	Part granted

FOI/2020/0021	All correspondence and any documents shared, minutes of meetings or internal discussion relating to the award to be given to Tim Cook on January 20, 2020 as announced by IDA Ireland this week. The records should include but not be limited to any e-mails, and any attachments therein, and mobile phone text messages including any messages via Whatsapp.	10/02/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0023	All records arising in or about the Monkstown Marina Development, County Cork, including letters, emails, memoranda, notes, minutes of meetings and any notes taken by the meeting attendees, telephone, text, WhatsApp, or other unwritten communications, and all relevant logs, for the period 1st May 2012 to 31st December 2014. These are some names of personnel that may assist: 1. Enda Kenny TD 2. Mark O'Doherty 3. Niamh O'Brien	14/02/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0025	All correspondence from the public on euthanasia/right-to-die legislation/assisted dying/assisted suicide, sent during 2018 and 2019. The replies given to the above.	12/02/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0026	A copy of all submissions made to the Department/Taoiseach referring or relating to the FAI and/or Sport Ireland; this request should cover the period of January 1 2019 to date of receipt of this request. When conducting your search and retrieval please consider official information held on non-official systems, emails accounts and devices, for example WhatsApp groups etc.	20/02/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0027	Copies of all records referring or relating to a decision by the government to award an additional €10 million in funding to Connacht Rugby as part of their redevelopment plans for their stadium. This request to cover the period 1 September 2019 to date of receipt of the request.	11/02/2020	Granted
FOI/2020/0028	The release of details regarding expenses incurred by the Taoiseach and the Chief Whip during their visits abroad for St Patrick's Day last year, specifically·The cost of travel and accommodation for the Minister ·The cost of travel and accommodation for any advisers or other staff for the Minister ·The cost of any gifts (including shamrock) incurred by the Department for the trip ·Any other costs associated for the trip.	13/02/2020	Granted
FOI/2020/0029	Copies of any records held referring or relating to the presentation of a special recognition award for Tim Cook of Apple from Taoiseach Leo Varadkar.	10/02/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0030	The release of all Government memos from 2013 and 2014 relating to the introduction of water charges.	18/02/2020	Part granted

FOI/2020/0031	Copies of all requests for use of the Ministerial Air Transport Service in the period 1 January 2019 to date of receipt of this request. This request to include a copy of the request, a copy of the response, and any to-and-fro communications regarding the request.	18/02/2020	Granted
FOI/2020/0032	All correspondence between the FAI and the office of An Taoiseach during 2019 and to date in 2020.	20/02/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0033	All correspondence between An Taoiseach Leo Varadkar and Vape Business Ireland during 2019 and to date in 2020.	19/02/2020	Granted
FOI/2020/0035	All correspondence (sent and received) between FAI and Taoiseach Leo Varadkar between 1st September 2019 and 23 January 2020.	20/02/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0036	All records held pertaining to this meeting: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/56132/google-ireland-limited	26/02/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0038	A copy of all correspondence sent between the Taoiseach's Office and the FAI since March 1, 2019 to date. Copies of any correspondence received by the Taoiseach's Office since June 1, 2019, relating to possible financial support of the FAI from the State. A copy of any memos of phone calls made by the Taoiseach with the FAI or UEFA in that same period.	24/02/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0040	Copies of any records held referring or relating to a media query made by me to the Government Press Office relating to costs incurred for the cancelled visit by the Taoiseach to Davos. This request to encompass any records held relating or referring to my original email query of Jan 17, my second email query of Jan 20, my phone call of Jan 24, my phone call of Jan 27, my phone call of Jan 28, my third email query of Jan 28. Searches of any mobile phones, relevant private email addresses and/or messaging services should be considered when processing this request.	26/02/2020	Granted
FOI/2020/0041	Copies of all receipts/invoices related to planned visit by the Taoiseach and any other members of his staff or officials from the Department to Davos in January 2020. Copies of any correspondence received or sent relating to the arrangement of travel for the Taoiseach and delegation to Davos.	26/02/2020	Granted
FOI/2020/0042	Internal minutes and memos, correspondence and follow on documentation arising out of a meeting between Peter Vandermeersch and the Taoiseach. Internal minutes and memos, correspondence and follow on documentation arising out of any other meeting the Taoiseach has had with newspaper proprietors/managing directors/editors in the last 12 months.	26/02/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0045	All briefing notes prepared for Taoiseach Leo Varadkar on Project 2040 or any individual projects included in Project 2040. The timeframe should cover the period of December 1, 2019 to February 1, 2020.	02/03/2020	Part granted

FOI/2020/0047	Records held by the Department of the Taoiseach relating to Ireland's involvement with Expos 1992 and 2000. I am seeking permission to view government records that deal specifically with the following Expos that Ireland participated and constructed a pavilion for: Expo '92 (Seville) Expo 2000 (Hanover)	10/03/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0049	According to information recently posted on Lobbying.ie, Ryan Meade of Google Ireland met with the Taoiseach and public officials between 1 Sep, 2019 to 31 Dec, 2019: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/56132/google-ireland-limited I would kindly like to ask for meeting minutes, email conversations and other records relating to these meetings. In case the meetings took place at public events, feel free to point out any recordings of said events or press releases related to them.	26/02/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0051	A copy of all correspondence relating to the Special Recognition Award event held on January 20, 2020 for Tim Cook. A complete breakdown of costs relating to hosting the Special Recognition Award event held on January 20, 2020 for Tim Cook. When conducting your search and retrieval please consider official information held on non-official systems, emails accounts and devices, for example WhatsApp groups etc.	06/03/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0053	All correspondence, including but not limited to e-mails and letters written to and created by the Taoiseach from the period of May 2019 until December 2019 relating to recruitment within An Garda Síochána with the keywords, but not limited to "racial discrimination", "discrimination", "ethnic minorities".	09/03/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0058	Any correspondence between the Department of An Taoiseach and the Citizens Assembly since its establishment in 2016 -amended following phonecall: - high level correspondence re both assemblies, not set up/admin.	18/03/2020	Granted
FOI/2020/0059	All records associated with this entry in the lobbying database: https://www.lobbying.ie/return/56132/google-ireland-limited	26/02/2020	Part granted
FOI/2020/0062	Diary of An Taoiseach from June to December of 2019, inclusive. All Cabinet agendas from October of 2014 to January of 2015. Any and all reports relating to the gender breakdown of the Office of An Taoiseach since 2015.	20/03/2020	Part granted