FOI Reference Number: FOI/066/2425

Date: 28 May 2024

Thank you for your information request received by the Policy team at Mid and East Antrim Borough Council (MEABC) on 7th May 2024 which has been processed under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Your request:

'I'm reaching out to ask about your use of drones. Do you currently utilise drones in-house, or do you rely on third-party services for your aerial imaging and measurement needs?'

Our response:

This information is regarded as *held* for the purposes of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Council predominately uses drones *in-house*.

If required, different departments within MEABC occasionally utilise locally based third-party drone providers.

Please quote the reference number FOI/066/2425 on any related communications.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of part of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within forty working days of the date of receipt of the response to your original email/letter, and should be sent by email to FOI@midandeastantrim.gov.uk or by post to:
> Policy Team,
> The Braid,
> 1-29 Bridge Street,
> Ballymena,
> BT43 5EJ.

If you are not content with the outcome of an internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. You must make your complaint to the ICO within 40 working days of you receiving your response or the date of your last contact with the Council.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office,
Wycliffe House,
Water Lane,
Wilmslow,
Cheshire,
SK9 5AF.

Alternatively, a complaint may be made via the ICO website at:
https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint

Please be advised that Mid and East Antrim Borough Council may release the response to this information request into the public domain via our website at:
https://www.midandeastantrim.gov.uk/

If we publish our response to your request, your personal data will be removed to protect your privacy.