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03rd December 2021



Re: FOI request IE_FOI_537

Dear ,

I refer to your request dated 29th November 2021 made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014, which was received on by my office on that date, for records held by Iarnród Éireann.

Request:

- a copy of all records held referring or relating to the decision by Irish Rail to suspend food/beverage services on train services following the relaxation of Covid-19 restrictions in the autumn.
- a copy of any correspondence between Irish Rail and the HSE or DoH with regard to whether food/beverage service could be offered on rail services. Same time frame as above.

Response:

I, Ms. Annette Reilly, Decision Maker have now made a final decision to refuse your request on 03rd December 2021.

Please find response document and schedule of records attached.

Rights of appeal

In the event that you are not happy with this decision you can make an appeal in relation to this matter, you can do so by writing to the FOI Unit, Corporate Communications, larnród Éireann Irish Rail, Connolly Station, Amiens St, Dublin 1 or by e-mail to foi@irishrail.ie. You should make your appeal within 4 weeks (20 working days) from the date of this notification, where a day is defined as a working day excluding, the weekend and public holidays, however, the making of a late appeal may be permitted in appropriate circumstances.

The appeal will involve a complete reconsideration of the matter by a more senior member of the staff of this body.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the above, please contact the FOI Officer on by email at foi@irishrail.ie

or

Yours sincerely,

Ms. Annette Reilly,

FOI Decision Maker

Freedom of Information Request: Schedule of Records for IE_FOI_529: Summary for Decision Making

				Decision:		
			No. of	Grant/Part	Section of Act	Record Edited/Identify
Record No.	Date of Record	Brief Description	Pages	Grant/Refuse	if applicable	Deletions
		IE_FOI_537 - Response Suspension of Food Beverage Services on				
1	~	Trains	1	Refusal	Art 15(1)(a)	Records do not exist

Signed:

Lynette O'Toole

Freedom of Information / Data Protection Office

IE_FOI_537 - Memo Suspension of Food Beverage Services on Trains

Request:

 a copy of all records held referring or relating to the decision by Irish Rail to suspend food/beverage services on train services following the relaxation of Covid-19 restrictions in the autumn. Should this request be likely to be voluminous, I am happy to confine it to only high-level documents e.g. official memos, submissions, recommendations, business cases, advisories etc.

Response:

There was no relaxation on any regulation in the Autumn relating to catering on public transport therefore larnród Éireann/Irish Rail did not have any decision to make

 a copy of any correspondence between Irish Rail and the HSE or DoH with regard to whether food/beverage service could be offered on rail services. Same time frame as above.

Response:

Nil Return - Iarnród Éireann/Irish Rail did not correspond directly with the HSE or DoH on this issue.