



Access to Public Information Request

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Request for information regarding a planning application for the Vale Church Car Park

Request for information:

I would like copies of all the information held in regard to the following:

Planning application Full/2018/2607. Vale Church Car Park Vale Church Vale

In particular

- giving reasons for administrative decisions to those affected.
- The names and positions of the officers to show those handling the case did not take part or influence the decision made, so in effect rendering the decision in effective.

Response:

The full planning application is owned by a third party and while it has been available to the public to view at Sir Charles Frossard House ahead of a final decision, it would not ordinarily be appropriate for the Development & Planning Authority to release the plans. However on this occasion as the plans have already been shared more widely, the relevant third party has consented to including them in the response to this request under the Code of Practice for Access to Public Information. They are included as three pdf attachments to this response.

The reasons for the Development & Planning Authority's decision on this planning application are already in the public domain and can be found here:

<http://planningexplorer.gov.gg/portal/servlets/ApplicationSearchServlet?PKID=184265>

A range of officers were involved, as is normal in such cases, and the senior officer was the Director of Planning. Further I would note that all Civil Servants are covered by the Civil Service Code (copy available at <https://www.gov.gg/CHttpHandler.ashx?id=114786&p=0>) and the core principles of integrity, honesty, objectivity and impartiality. Specifically officers are required to put the public good above any personal interests and act solely according to the merits of the case.

The names of individual officers involved in this planning application cannot be provided as they fall under the Code of Practice Exception 2.8 'Public Employment'.