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Our Ref: IR-2022-106
Date: 21 March 2022

By Email to: Mr Paul Armstrong
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Dear Mr Armstrong

Re: Environmental Information Regulations Request

Thank you for your request for information received on 2nd March 2022 and processed under the terms of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

Council has considered your request for information and the response is enclosed.

If you are unhappy with the response, you have received in relation to your request you may ask for an internal review. A request for internal review should be submitted within two months of the date of this letter.

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office via its complaints portal:

<https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/official-information-concerns-report/officialinformation-concern/>

Contact by post should be made as follows:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
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The Commissioner's Office will then undertake an independent review.

Yours sincerely

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Your Request:

Can you please provide the following information regarding Tree Preservation Orders (TPOs) in the Armagh, Banbridge and Craigavon District Council area:

- How many TPOs are there in the council area?
- How many requests to instate TPOs were made to the council in each year between January 2019 and December 2021?
- How many TPOs were instated by the council in each year between January 2019 and December 2021?
- How many TPOs were removed by the council in each year between January 2019 and December 2021?
- How many TPOs that were removed by the council were done so when approving planning applications in each year between January 2019 and December 2021?
- How many trees with TPOs in the council area were felled in each year between January 2019 and December 2021?

Council Response:

- 82 TPOs confirmed in the Council area.
- TPO requests to Council,
Year 2019 – 5 requests, Year 2020 – 4 requests and Year 2021 – 12 requests.
- Instated (Confirmed) TPOs by the Council,
Year 2019 – 0, Year 2020 – 0 and Year 2021 – 1.
- TPOs removed (revoked) by Council,
Year 2019 – 0, Year 2020 – 0 and Year 2021 – 0.
(The Council does not have the statutory power to remove (revoke) a TPO).
- TPOs removed by Council when approving an application,
Year 2019 – 0, Year 2020 – 0 and Year 2021 – 0.
- TPOs in the Council area felled
Year 2019 – 28, Year 2020 – 13 and Year 2021 – 3
(The consents to fell TPOd trees above refers only to 'Applications for Tree Works to TPOd Trees' made to and granted by the Council).