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| Date received | Our reference | Brief Description of Request | Decision | Requester Category | Decision Date |
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| 29/04/2025 | FOI 046 2025 | copies of any records held referring or relating to a radio interview given by the IFAC chair in which he said Ireland was powerless in terms of the impacts of US tariffs. For avoidance of doubt, it was this interview and any other associated media coverage of his comments: https://www.rte.ie/news/business/2025/0328/1504553-irish-fiscal-advisory-council-on-tariffs/ | 01 Record part granted (Personal telephone number redacted Section 37(1) of the FOI Act 2014) | Non-Personal | 28/05/2025 |
| 02/07/2025 | FOI 047 2025 | copies of any briefing material prepared for the chairman ahead of his appearance at an Oireachtas committee on 1 July. copies of any email discussions between the chairman and other council members with regard to his appearance at the Oireachtas committee meeting. This should include any correspondence sent before or after. | 01 Record part granted (Two email addresses and one telephone number redacted Section 37(1) of the FOI Act 2014) | Non-Personal | 30/07/2025 |
| 05/08/2025 | FOI 048 2025 | copies of all records held by the chair of IFAC referring or relating to a series of X posts around spending overruns by government, and as reported on in the following article: https://www.irishtimes.com/business/2025/07/23/governments-spending-overruns-amount-to-poor-planning-fiscal-council-says/ | 02 Records Identified 01 Record granted 01 record part granted (Two email addresses and one telephone number redacted Section 37(1) of the FOI Act 2014) | Non-Personal | 01/09/2025 |
| 06/08/2025 | FOI 049 2025 | - A copy of the most up-to-date version of the risk register for the organisation; - A copy of the last three internal audits carried out within the organisation; - A copy of the last three audits of the organisation carried out by external auditors at the request of the organisation, a parent State body or any other arm of the Government or State [excluding Annual Report and Financial Statements]; - A copy of the last three audits carried out by the organisation of any groups or other entities sitting below it, supported by it or funded by it; - A copy of the minutes of the last five audit and risk committee (ARC) meetings. | 09 Records Identified 04 Records Granted 04 Records refused (already published) 01 record Part granted | Non-Personal | 02/09/2025 |

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| 25/08/2025 | FOI 050 2025 | <p>In relation to the working paper No 26 issued on 15 August 2025 – Boston or Berlin. Boston or Berlin? How does Ireland's tax and spending compare? – Irish Fiscal Advisory Council: A statement that the request is being made under the FOI Act; This request is being made under the Freedom of Information Act.</p> <p>As much information as possible about the records being sought; Any correspondence between the author and any other party as to the choice of countries used as a comparator for Ireland. Any drafts of the paper that used a different mix of countries or different comparators with Ireland. Any correspondence with John Fitzgerald specifically on the choice of countries involved as comparators with Ireland.</p> <p>One of the conclusions in the paper is that: 'Ireland appears to be a low-tax, low-spend country relative to other high-income European countries'. Was there any discussion in correspondence with the author that did not support that conclusion? Were there other comparators considered that came to a conclusion that Ireland was not low tax or not low spend? Any discussion by the author or drafts of the paper that included defence spending as a source of difference between Ireland and other countries?</p> <p>Any documents, drafts, emails etc related to the paper that were deleted since 15 August 2025.</p> <p>The format in which you wish to receive any records released (e.g. photocopies). PDF of the documents by email, making clear if there are any redactions.</p> | 04 records identified, 02 records granted, 02 records refuse (already published) | Non-Personal | 23/09/2025 |
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