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Our Ref: FOI 449

Request

We received your request on 17 June 2024 for the following information:

I'd be obliged under the freedom of information act the following would please be confirmed.

- *Are NI Housing Executive vehicles assigned to individual users?*
- *Are personal use journey's permitted?*
- *If personal use journeys are permitted are these notified through HMRC?*
- *If personal use journeys are permitted how many miles were travelled for personal use from Jan-Dec 2023?*
- *Are non Housing Executive employee passengers permitted to travel in the vehicle?*
- *Are Housing Executive vehicles equipped with GPS monitoring devices and if so is there an adopted policy in place?*
- *In the last year Jan-Dec 2023 how many employee's have been formally disciplined for improper use of Housing Executive vehicles?*

Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Our response

Two departmental areas within the NIHE have provided their separate responses.

Facilities & Accommodation department

- Are NI Housing Executive vehicles assigned to individual users? **Facilities vehicles are not assigned to individual users.**

- Are personal use journey's permitted? **Personal journeys are not considered as the vehicle is permanently located and parked within the Housing Centre and only used for business purposes.**
- If personal use journeys are permitted are these notified through HMRC? **N/A**
- If personal use journeys are permitted how many miles were travelled for personal use from Jan-Dec 2023? **N/A**
- Are non-Housing Executive employee passengers permitted to travel in the vehicle? **Yes, but only as passengers.**
- Are Housing Executive vehicles equipped with GPS monitoring devices and if so is there an adopted policy in place? **No.**
- In the last year Jan-Dec 2023 how many employee's have been formally disciplined for improper use of Housing Executive vehicles?" **None within Facilities and Accommodation.**

Asset Management DLO (Direct Labour Organisation)

- Are NI Housing Executive vehicles assigned to individual users? **Yes trade operatives are assigned a vehicle.**
- Are personal use journey's permitted? **Housing Executive policy states that vehicles are exclusively for use on official business or authorised travel between home and place of work.**
- If personal use journeys are permitted are these notified through HMRC? **These are not permitted as per NIHE Policy.**
- If personal use journeys are permitted how many miles were travelled for personal use from Jan-Dec 2023? **These are not permitted as per NIHE Policy.**
- Are non Housing Executive employee passengers permitted to travel in the vehicle? **Housing Executive policy does not allow carrying unauthorised passengers.**
- Are Housing Executive vehicles equipped with GPS monitoring devices and if so is there an adopted policy in place? **Yes, monitoring devices are in place along with a Fleet Policy.**
- In the last year Jan-Dec 2023 how many employee's have been formally disciplined for improper use of Housing Executive vehicles? **There have been no individuals formally disciplined for improper use of the NIHE vehicle.**

This concludes our response.