



24<sup>th</sup> April 2025

**Our Ref: FOI 734**

Thank you for your FOI request of 27<sup>th</sup> March and the accompanying photograph bringing the issue of the spraying in Rostrevor. Our response to your request is below.

**Request**

We received your request on 27 March 2025 for the following information:

*I am enquiring about the product that has been used to spray 1-2ft of the grass areas owned by NIHE in Rostrevor.*

*Can you tell me what product has been used?*

*This has been done in the last couple of weeks all over and a number of people are reporting their dogs being sick.*

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

**Our response**

*Can you tell me what product has been used?*

We can confirm that Gallup XL, an off the shelf product found in most hardware stores was used by the ground's maintenance contractor on the 5<sup>th</sup> March 2025.

On receipt of your request, we met with our grounds maintenance contractor to ascertain what had happened and what was used to cause this effect. This product should have only been used around a fixed object and not along path sides and kerbsides, this was reiterated at the meeting with the contractor to prevent this from happening again. Through the growth season the grass will grow back.

This concludes our response.