

Our Ref: R740

Mr. Hugh O'Connell,
The Journal.ie
4th Floor,
Latin Hall,
Golden Lane,
Dublin 8.

5 September 2013

Dear Mr. O'Connell

I refer to your request under the Freedom of Information Acts 1997 and 2003 ("FoI"), received on 16th July, 2013 requesting:

- *Information pertaining to the Oireachtas Private Members' Bar, including:*
 - *who or what is responsible for the licensing of it,*
 - *how many staff work there and who employs them,*
 - *details of its annual turnover for 2011 and 2012,*
 - *details of who supplies the bar with stock,*
 - *a copy of the pricing list for the bar,*
 - *details of all bar tabs and how much is currently owed to the bar.*
- *Information pertaining to the Oireachtas Visitors' Bar, including:*
 - *who or what is responsible for the licensing of it,*
 - *how many staff work there and who employs them,*
 - *details of its annual turnover for 2011 and 2012,*
 - *details of who supplies the bar with stock,*
 - *a copy of the pricing list for the bar,*
 - *details of all bar tabs and how much is currently owed to the bar.*
- *Details on the opening hours of the Oireachtas Private Members' Bar on 3 and 4 July 2013, a breakdown of the purchases (i.e the number of each individual items on sale there that were sold) and total takings for the bar on those two dates.*
- *Details on the opening hours of the Oireachtas Private Members' Bar on 10 and 11 July 2013, a breakdown of the purchases (i.e the number of individual items on sale there that were sold) and total takings for the bar on those two dates.*

- *Details on the opening hours of the Oireachtas Visitors' Bar on 3 and 4 July 2013, a breakdown of the purchases (i.e the number of individual items on sale there that were sold) and total takings for the bar on those two dates.*
- *Details on the opening hours of the Oireachtas Visitors' Bar on 10 and 11 July 2013, a breakdown of the purchases (i.e the number of individual items on sale there that were sold) and total takings for the bar on those two dates.*

In accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Acts 1997 and 2003 I have decided to partially grant access to the records requested. I have explained my decision below. If you have any queries regarding this correspondence you can contact me by telephone at [REDACTED]

This explanation has the following parts:

1. A schedule of records covered by your request;
2. An overview and summary of the decision, and
3. A statement of how you can appeal this decision should you wish to do so

This letter addresses each of these three parts in turn.

1. Schedule of records

A schedule is attached at the end of this letter. It shows the documents that the Houses of the Oireachtas Service considers relevant to your request. The schedule describes each document, and indicates whether the document is released in full, released with deletions or not released. The schedule refers to the sections of the FoI Acts which apply preventing release.

2. An overview and summary of the decision

A summary and overview of the decision as a whole is attached at the end of this letter. You should note that there may be records relevant to your request which fall within the category of official documents of the Houses and therefore do not fall within the scope of the FOI Acts. The summary attached notes some general information relevant to your request.

You should also note that record no 6 has been edited as it contains information which is personal and therefore exempt from release under Section 28 of the FoI Acts. Under the provisions of this section, I have the discretion to consider release of personal information to a third party only in exceptional circumstances where, on balance, I am of the opinion that the public interest in disclosure outweighs the right to privacy of the individual concerned, or where the release of information would benefit the individual. Neither provision applies in this instance.

3. Rights of appeal

I trust this is to your satisfaction. If not, you may appeal this decision by writing to




You must make your appeal **within four weeks** from the date of this notification. The making of a late appeal may be permitted in some circumstances. The appeal process, known as internal review, will involve a complete reconsideration of the matter by a more senior member of the staff of this office. The decision on internal review of your case will be given within three weeks of receipt of your letter.

Fees for internal review

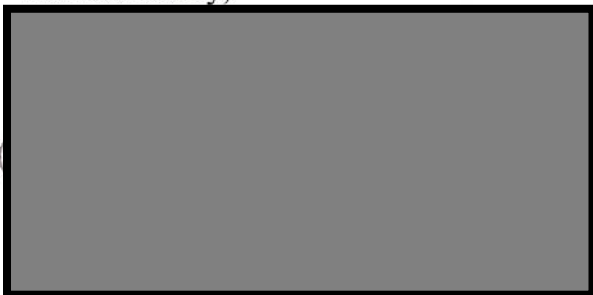
Under the Freedom of Information (Fees) Regulations 2003, a standard fee of **€75** must accompany an application for internal review under section 14. A reduced fee of €25 applies if you are covered by a medical card, in which case you should supply details of the medical card registration number and issuing health board together with your consent to the verification of these details with the relevant health board. The fee can be paid by cheque, bank draft or order payable to the Office of the Houses of the Oireachtas.

The following internal review applications are exempt from fees:

- (a) an application in relation to a decision concerning records containing only personal information related to the applicant.
- (b) an application in relation a decision under section 17 (right of amendment of records relating to personal information).
- (c) an application in relation to a decision under section 18 (right of person to information regarding acts of public bodies affecting the person).
- (d) an application in relation to a decision to charge a fee or deposit, or a fee or deposit of a particular amount.

If you have any queries in relation to fees for internal review, please do not hesitate to contact the FoI co-ordinator, 

Yours sincerely,



Schedule of documents for FoI Request Reference: R740

| Record No | Brief description and date of record | No of pages | Decision | Basis of Refusal: Section of Act | Reason for Decision | Public Interest Considerations (for and against release) | Record Edited/ Identify Deletions |
|-----------|---|-------------|--|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| 1. | Records relating to licensing of Private Members' Bar and Visitors Bar – see summary and overview | | N/A | | | | |
| 2. | Records relating to number of staff working in Private Members Bar and Visitors bar and who employs them – see summary and overview | | N/A | | | | |
| 3. | Annual turnover of Private Members' Bar for 2011 and 2012 and Visitors Bar for 2011 and 2012– see summary and overview | | N/A | | | | |
| 4. | Details of who supplies the Members bar and Visitors bar with stock. List of suppliers. | 1 | Granted | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 5. | Price list for the Members Bar and Visitors Bar | 1 | Granted | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 6. | List of current customer accounts held by the bar (this covers both bars) June 2013 | 1 | Part Grant | Section 28 | Privacy of Individual | - | Individual Details deleted |
| 7. | Details on the opening hours of the Members' Bar and Visitors Bar on - 3 and 4 July 2013, and - 10 and 11 July 2013. | | No record – see <i>Summary of decision above</i> | | | | |
| 8. | A breakdown of the number of items sold and the total takings in the <u>Members Bar</u> on 3 and 4 July 2013. - Till receipts No's 2931 and 2932 | 4 | Grant | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |

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|-----|--|---|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 9. | A breakdown of the number of items sold and the total takings in the <u>Members Bar</u> on 10 and 11 July 2013. - <i>Till receipts No's 2936 and 2937</i> | 4 | Grant | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 10. | A breakdown of the number of items sold and the total takings in the <u>Visitors Bar</u> on 3 and 4 July 2013- <i>Till receipts No's 2340 and 2341</i> | 4 | Grant | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 11. | A breakdown of the number of items sold and the total takings in the <u>Visitors Bar</u> on 10 and 11 July 2013- <i>Till receipts No's 2345 and 2346</i> | 4 | Grant | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |

The Oireachtas Bar
Supplier List

Record No 4

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User : MANAGER. Page : 1 of 1

| Acc No | Name | Contact | TelNo | Fax No | Ref/Acc No | Cr/Limit |
|--------|----------------------------------|------------|-----------------|------------|------------|----------|
| AER001 | Aertech Satellite Communications | | | | | 0.00 |
| ARK001 | Arkway Refrigeration Ltd | | 4299781 | 4299780 | | 0.00 |
| AWO001 | Wolfe, Anita | | | | | 0.00 |
| BIG001 | The Big Red Book Company | | 2697722 | | | 0.00 |
| BLE001 | Blenders | | | | | 0.00 |
| BOT001 | Botanic Office Equipment | | 8373366 | | | 0.00 |
| BUL001 | Builmers Limited | | | | | 0.00 |
| CAR001 | Carroll Group Distributor | A/C 516330 | 01 2052345 | 01 2958107 | | 0.00 |
| CAS002 | John Casey Glassware Ltd | | | | | 0.00 |
| CON001 | Patrick Connolly & Co Ltd | DAIL.01 | 01 4510526 | 01 4510526 | | 0.00 |
| CRY001 | Crystal Bar Systems Ltd | | | | | 0.00 |
| CUL001 | Cullon & Bohan Ltd | | 6260534 | 6260573 | | 0.00 |
| DIA001 | Diageo Ireland | | 4084975 | | | 0.00 |
| DIL001 | Edward Dillon & Co Ltd | | 8193300 | | | 0.00 |
| DUG001 | Duggan International Promotions | | | | | 0.00 |
| DUN002 | Dundalgan Press | | | | | 0.00 |
| GAL001 | JTI Ireland Ltd | | 4040200 | | | 0.00 |
| GEO001 | George Cooke and Co Ltd | | | | | 0.00 |
| GLA001 | Glanbia Foods Ireland Limited | | 4565555 | | | 0.00 |
| HEI001 | Heineken Ireland Sales Limited | | | | | 0.00 |
| HIB001 | Hibernian Business Equipment | | | | | 0.00 |
| HUG001 | Hugh Jordan | | 862 7200 | 671 5803 | | 0.00 |
| IRI001 | Irish Distillers Limited | | 2129000 | | | 0.00 |
| JAV001 | Java Republic Roasting Co | | 4565506 | | | 0.00 |
| JOH001 | John Player & Son | 0011403854 | 2434900/2434800 | 2434801 | | 0.00 |
| JOI001 | Houses of the Oireachtas Commis | | | | | 0.00 |
| KEN006 | Kendermar Distributors Ltd | | 018855855 | | | 0.00 |
| LEY001 | Leydens Limited | | 8376074 | | | 0.00 |
| LYN001 | K. Lynch | | 8456100 | | | 0.00 |
| MCC002 | McCloskeys | | | | | 0.00 |
| MGH001 | MG Hygiene & Cleaning Supplies | | | | | 0.00 |
| MISC01 | Misc Supplier | | | | | 0.00 |
| MJG001 | M&J Gleeson & Co | | 6269787 | | | 0.00 |
| NET001 | Net Global Taxis | | | | | 0.00 |
| NOE001 | Noel Recruitment | | 8623141 | 8623557 | | 0.00 |
| PAR001 | Paramount Hyclene | | | | | 0.00 |
| RAC001 | Racing UK Ltd | | 836153137 | | | 0.00 |
| RAD001 | Radical Friut Company | | | | | 0.00 |
| REHAB | Rehab Enterprises | | | | | 0.00 |
| SKY001 | Sky Business | | | | | 0.00 |
| SOR001 | Sweeney O'Rourke Limited | | | | | 0.00 |
| STE001 | Step One Permanent Solutions | | | | | 0.00 |
| TIP001 | Tipperary Water Sales | | | | | 0.00 |

Total Records : 43

Record No 5

OIREACHTAS BARS

PRICE LIST

| Beers | | Pint | ½ Pint |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-------------|---------------|
| | | € | € |
| Draught | | | |
| Guinness | | 4.30 | 3.00 |
| Lager | | 4.70 | 3.10 |
| Smithwicks | | 4.30 | 3.00 |
| Bottled Cider | | 5.30 | |
| Long Neck Bottles | 330ml | | |
| Becks / Budweiser / Bulmers / | | 4.70 | |
| Coors / Heineken / Miller / | | | |
| Ritz / Stag | | | |
| Spirits | | | |
| | | 35.5ml | |
| Brandy VS | | 5.00 | |
| Brandy VSOP | | 6.00 | |
| Gin / Rum / Vodka | | 4.10 | |
| American Whiskey / Jameson 1780 | | 5.00 | |
| Bushmills Black | | 5.00 | |
| Crested Ten / Irish Whiskey / | | | |
| Scotch Whiskey | | 4.10 | |
| Liqueurs / Port / Sherry / | | | |
| Vermouths | | 5.00 | |
| Red Bull | | 3.20 | |
| West Coast Cooler | | 4.70 | |
| Soft Drinks | | | |
| Bottled Water / Cidona / | | | |
| Lucozade / Juices | | 2.70 | |
| Coke / 7UP / Splits | | 2.50 | |
| Wine | | | |
| ¼ Glass | 187ml | 5.50 | |

Record No. 6

Oireachtas Bar - Accounts List June 2013

| Account Name | Total O/S |
|--------------|------------|
| All Accounts | €11,392.63 |

Record No 8

2931

YOUR RECEIPT

THANK YOU

*** Z 1 ***
FULL REPORT

Drink

| | |
|------------------|--------|
| MISC | 330 |
| | 291.75 |
| LONG NECK BEER | 140 |
| | 65.60 |
| PINT GUINNESS | 330 |
| | 141.90 |
| PINT LAGER | 340 |
| | 159.80 |
| BRANDY | 40 |
| | 20.00 |
| VODKA/GIN | 100 |
| | 41.00 |
| IRISH | 20 |
| | 8.20 |
| 1/4 BT WINE | 310 |
| | 170.50 |
| GLASS GUINNESS | 30 |
| | 9.00 |
| GLASS SMITHWICKS | 10 |
| | 3.00 |
| MINERAL WATER | 40 |
| | 10.80 |
| LUCOZADE | 30 |
| | 8.10 |
| JUICE | 20 |
| | 5.40 |
| DASH | 80 |
| | 9.60 |
| BABY | 130 |
| | 26.00 |
| SPLIT | 40 |
| | 10.00 |
| ROAST NUTS | 20 |
| | 3.00 |
| SCONE | 110 |
| | 13.20 |
| HAMLET x 1 | 30 |
| | 2.85 |
| GRP TTL | 2150 |
| | 999.90 |

Food

| | |
|------------|-------|
| AMERICANO | 250 |
| | 37.50 |
| LATTE/CAPP | 240 |
| | 50.40 |
| TEA/COFFEE | 580 |
| | 75.40 |
| FRYS | 10 |
| | 1.35 |
| SNACK | 10 |
| | 1.35 |
| CLUB MILK | 6 |
| | 1.35 |

| | | |
|------------------|------|--------|
| TOASTED SPECIAL | 150 | |
| | | 48.00 |
| WRAP | 10 | |
| | | 5.00 |
| REGULAR SANDWICH | 10 | |
| | | 2.50 |
| SMOKED SALMON LG | 10 | |
| | | 9.95 |
| SMOKED SALMON RG | 80 | |
| | | 63.60 |
| SOUP | 240 | |
| | | 60.00 |
| GRP TTL | 1840 | |
| | | 383.40 |
| NoSale | | |
| NO SALE | 160 | |
| | | 0.00 |
| GRP TTL | 00 | |
| | | 0.00 |
| PLU | | |
| ***PLU*** | 360 | |
| | | 305.30 |
| GRP TTL | 360 | |
| | | 305.30 |

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| DEPT TTL | 4350 | |
| | | 1,688.60 |

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|---------------|----------|
| TOTAL | 1,688.60 |
| | 227N |
| NET TL | 1,688.60 |
| | 227N |
| CASH | 1,688.60 |
| CASH/DRW | 1,688.60 |
| REPORT # 2931 | |

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| NET TL | 1,688.60 |
| CASH/DRW | 1,688.60 |
| VOID | 1,385.41 |
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YOUR RECEIPT

THANK YOU

FULL REPORT

Drink

| | | |
|---------------|-----|--------|
| MISC | 190 | |
| | | 64.00 |
| PINT GUINNESS | 30 | |
| | | 12.90 |
| BRANDY | 20 | |
| | | 10.00 |
| 1/4 BT WINE | 40 | |
| | | 22.00 |
| MINERAL WATER | 40 | |
| | | 10.80 |
| DASH | 50 | |
| | | 6.00 |
| SPLIT | 20 | |
| | | 5.00 |
| SCONE | 90 | |
| | | 10.80 |
| GRP TTL | 480 | |
| | | 141.50 |

Food

| | | |
|------------------|-----|--------|
| AMERICANO | 120 | |
| | | 18.00 |
| LATTE/CAPP | 160 | |
| | | 33.60 |
| TEA/COFFEE | 340 | |
| | | 44.20 |
| FRYS | 20 | |
| | | 2.70 |
| SNACKS | 90 | |
| | | 10.80 |
| CLUB MILK | 30 | |
| | | 2.85 |
| TOASTED SPECIAL | 60 | |
| | | 19.20 |
| SMOKED SALMON RG | 40 | |
| | | 31.80 |
| SOUP | 110 | |
| | | 27.50 |
| GRP TTL | 970 | |
| | | 190.65 |

NoSale

| | | |
|---------|-----|------|
| NO SALE | 120 | |
| | | 0.00 |
| GRP TTL | 00 | |
| | | 0.00 |

PLU
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189.10
GRP TTL 290
189.10

DEPT TTL 1740
521.25

TOTAL 521.25
80N
NET TL 521.25
80N
CASH 521.25
CASH/DRW 521.25
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CASH/DRW 521.25
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Record No 9

YOUR RECEIPT

THANK YOU

2936

Z 1
FULL REPORT

Drink

| | |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| MISC | 650 |
| | 638.95 |
| LONG NECK BEER | 310 |
| | 145.70 |
| PINT GUINNESS | 740 |
| | 318.20 |
| PINT SMITHWICKS | 220 |
| | 94.60 |
| PINT LAGER | 1050 |
| | 493.50 |
| BRANDY | 170 |
| | 85.00 |
| VOODKA/GIN | 290 |
| | 118.90 |
| IRISH | 20 |
| | 8.20 |
| 1/4 BT WINE | 310 |
| | 170.50 |
| GLASS LAGER | 20 |
| | 6.20 |
| MINERAL WATER | 110 |
| | 29.70 |
| LUCOZADE | 120 |
| | 32.40 |
| JUICE | 60 |
| | 16.20 |
| DASH | 100 |
| | 12.00 |
| BABY | 290 |
| | 58.00 |
| SPLIT | 500 |
| | 125.00 |
| SOFT MINTS | 50 |
| | 6.00 |
| ROAST NUTS | 140 |
| | 21.00 |
| SCONE | 50 |
| | 6.00 |
| HAMLET x 1 | 10 |
| | 0.95 |
| LIGHTERS | 10 |
| | 1.30 |
| GRP TTL | 5220 |
| | 2,388.30 |

Food

| | |
|------------|--------|
| AMERICANO | 680 |
| | 102.00 |
| LATTE/CAPP | 280 |
| | 58.80 |
| TEA/COFFEE | 800 |
| | 104.00 |
| FRYS | 20 |
| | 2.70 |
| SNACKS | 420 |
| | 51.40 |
| BLUE MILK | 120 |
| | 18.05 |

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|------------------|------|--------|
| TOAST | 10 | |
| | | 1.30 |
| TOASTED SPECIAL | 150 | |
| | | 48.00 |
| WRAP | 10 | |
| | | 5.00 |
| REGULAR SANDWICH | 80 | |
| | | 20.00 |
| SMOKED SALMON LG | 60 | |
| | | 59.70 |
| SMOKED SALMON RG | 70 | |
| | | 55.65 |
| SOUP | 130 | |
| | | 32.50 |
| GRP TTL | 2900 | |
| | | 558.10 |
| NoSale | | |
| NO SALE | 200 | |
| | | 0.00 |
| GRP TTL | 00 | |
| | | 0.00 |
| PLU | | |
| ***PLU*** | 540 | |
| | | 380.45 |
| GRP TTL | 540 | |
| | | 380.45 |

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| DEPT TTL | 8660 |
| | 3,326.85 |

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| TOTAL | 3,326.85 |
| | 423N |
| NET TL | 3,326.85 |
| | 423N |
| CASH | 3,326.85 |
| CASH/DRW | 3,326.85 |
| REPORT # | 2936 |

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| | 423N |
| NET TL | 3,326.85 |
| CASH/DRW | 3,326.85 |
| VOID | 25.15 |
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YOUR RECEIPT

THANK YOU

Z 1
FULL REPORT

Drink

| | |
|-----------------|----------|
| MISC | 490 |
| | 410.95 |
| LONG NECK BEER | 220 |
| | 103.40 |
| PINT GUINNESS | 400 |
| | 172.00 |
| PINT SMITHWICKS | 110 |
| | 47.30 |
| PINT LAGER | 480 |
| | 225.60 |
| BRANDY | 50 |
| | 25.00 |
| VODKA/GIN | 200 |
| | 82.00 |
| IRISH | 40 |
| | 16.40 |
| 1/4 BT WINE | 280 |
| | 154.00 |
| GLASS GUINNESS | 40 |
| | 12.00 |
| GLASS LAGER | 30 |
| | 9.30 |
| MINERAL WATER | 100 |
| | 27.00 |
| LUCOZADE | 80 |
| | 21.60 |
| JUICE | 100 |
| | 27.00 |
| DASH | 70 |
| | 8.40 |
| BABY | 120 |
| | 24.00 |
| SPLIT | 230 |
| | 57.50 |
| SOFT MINTS | 10 |
| | 1.20 |
| SCONE | 50 |
| | 6.00 |
| GRP TTL | 3100 |
| | 1,430.65 |
| Food | |
| AMERICANO | 310 |
| | 46.50 |
| LATTE/CAPP | 210 |
| | 44.10 |
| TEA/COFFEE | 700 |
| | 91.00 |
| FRYS | 10 |
| | 1.35 |
| SNACKS | 260 |
| | 31.20 |
| CLUB MILK | 80 |
| | 7.60 |
| TAX | 20 |
| TOTAL | 35 |

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| | 48.00 |
| REGULAR SANDWICH 3Q | |
| | 7.50 |
| SMOKED SALMON LG 1Q | |
| | 9.95 |
| SMOKED SALMON RG 9Q | |
| | 71.55 |
| SOUP 15Q | |
| | 37.50 |
| GRF TTL 202Q | |
| | 398.85 |
| NoSale | |
| NO SALE 7Q | |
| | 0.00 |
| GRF TTL 0Q | |
| | 0.00 |
| PLU | |
| ***PLU*** 51Q | |
| | 332.70 |
| GRF TTL 51Q | |
| | 332.70 |
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| DEPT TTL 563Q | |
| | 2,162.20 |
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| TOTAL 2,162.20 | |
| | 281N |
| NET TL 2,162.20 | |
| | 281N |
| CASH 2,162.20 | |
| CASH/DRW 2,162.20 | |
| REPORT # 2937 | |
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| CASH/DRW 2,162.20 | |
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