

FOI DOF/2025-0256

Request

1. Please can you detail total staff numbers in each office of The Appeals Service - Belfast and Omagh, broken down by grade.
2. Please can you detail the numbers of staff in The Appeals Service Belfast office who are permitted to work from home on a 60/40 basis (as per the Department for Communities hybrid policy) broken down by grade.
3. Please can you detail the numbers of staff in The Appeals Service Omagh office who are permitted to work from home on a 60/40 basis (as per the Department for Communities 60/40 hybrid policy) broken down by grade.

DoF Response

I can confirm the department holds some of the information requested.

1. The table below provides the total number of staff in post working in DfC organisations," 'The Appeals Service, Belfast' and 'The Appeals Service, Omagh'. The breakdown is provided at substantive analogous grade and reflects the staffing position as at month end March 2025 (the most recent data available at the time of request).

Substantive Analogous Grade	DfC, The Appeals Service	
	Belfast	Omagh
Deputy Principal	1	0
Staff Officer	2	1
Executive Officer 1	3	2
Executive Officer 2	7	6
Administrative Officer	29	22
Administrative Assistant	10	1
Total	52	32

Source: HRConnect Month End March 2025

2. & 3. I can confirm the department does not hold the information requested. We would suggest that you direct these elements of your request to the Department for Communities at the following address: foi@communities-ni.gov.uk