

FOI/HSB/017

27 January 2020

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Dear xx

Your request –FOI017

Thank you for your request received on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2020 which states:

- 1) *I would like to know the number of normal operational days which have been lost since the Commissioners have taken over responsibility for the Northern Amenity site at Balladoole.*
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Response to your request

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The Northern Civic Amenity Site is operated by a Joint Committee of Ramsey Time Commissioners comprising representatives from Andreas, Ballaugh, Bride, Jurby, Lezayre, Garff (Maughold) and Ramsey Commissioners.

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*Freedom of Information Request – FOI07*

The table below shows the closure of the Northern Civic Amenity Site since February 2017, the length of closure, type and reason for closure.

Date of closure	Period of closure	Weather or Operational	Reason
Thursday 23rd feb 2017	10:30am onwards	Weather	High Winds
Friday 26th May 2017	14:00 onwards	Weather	Bees in scrap wood skip
Saturday 9th December 2017	8:00-9:00am	Weather	Ice
Wednesday 14th February 2018	11:00 am onwards	Weather	High Winds
Thursday 1st March 2018	11:30am onwards	Weather	High Winds
Sunday 11th March 2018	10:00 onwards	Operational	No Fuel
Sunday 16th December 2018	9:30 onwards	Weather	High Winds - signage damage
Saturday 9th February 2019	8:00-11:00am	Weather	Strong Winds
Wednesday 13th March 2019	10:00am onwards	Weather	High Winds
Thursday 11th April 2019	morning till 13:00	Operational	tour incinerator
Monday 8th July 2019	10:10-13:30	Weather	Operational - skips filled to capacity
Sunday 4th August 2019	12:30 - 14:00	Weather	Operational - site overwhelmed with visitors & waste. Needed to compact all skips and replenish bins
Wednesday 7th August 2019	13:00 onwards	Operational	Manual Handling Training
Tuesday 1st October 2019	All day	Weather	High winds
Monday 28th October 2019	Morning only	Operational	New Staff Induction
Saturday 9th November 2019	13:15 onwards	Weather	High Winds
Sunday 8th December 2019	9:45am onwards	Weather	High Winds
Tuesday 10th December 2019	All day	Weather	High Winds
Saturday 14th December 2019	15:00	Weather	High Winds
Saturday 28th December 2019	14:30 onwards	Weather	High Winds
Sunday 29th December 2019	All day	Weather	High Winds
Sunday 5th January 2020	12:00 - 13:00	Operational	Operational - clear site debris
	14:40 onwards	Operational	Operational - skips filled to capacity
Monday 6th January 2020	All day	Weather	High Winds am, Operational pm - skips filled to capacity still
Tuesday 7th January 2020	All day	Weather	High Winds

*3) I would also like to know if staff were paid for those nonworking days or were repurposed within the Commissioners setup?*

Staff are paid on dates the site is closed. Since 2019 staff will work onsite, when this is not possible they will be repurposed.

Your right to request a review

If you are unhappy with this response to your Freedom of Information request, you may ask us to carry out an internal review of the response, by completing a complaint form and submitting it electronically or by delivery/post to the sender of this letter at the address / email address above.

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*Freedom of Information Request – FOI7*

An electronic version of the relevant complaint form can be found by going to our website – <http://ramsey.gov.im/default.aspx/categories/162/Freedom-of-Information/>

If you would like a paper version of the complaint form to be sent to you by post, please contact us and we will be happy to arrange for this. Your review request should explain why you are dissatisfied with this response, and should be made as soon as practicable. We will respond as soon as the review has been concluded.

If you are not satisfied with the result of the review, you then have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner for a decision on;

1. Whether we have responded to your request for information in accordance with Part 2 of the Freedom of Information Act; or
2. Whether we are justified in refusing to give you the information requested.

In response to an application for review, the Information Commissioner may, at any time, attempt to resolve a matter by negotiation, conciliation, mediation or another form of alternative dispute resolution and will have regard to any outcome of this in making any subsequent decision.

More detailed information on your rights to review is on the Information Commissioner's website at: <https://www.inforights.im/>.

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Further information about Freedom of Information requests can be found at:

<https://www.gov.im/about-the-government/freedom-of-information>

Yours sincerely

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