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Use of Glyphosphates for Weed Control in Belfast Trust

I would like to make the following request for information under the Freedom of Information Act:

(a) Does your organisation use 'Roundup' or any other glyphosphate for weed control?

No. However grounds maintenance contractors, contracted by Belfast Trust, use glyphosates on Trust property.

(b) How many workers are directly involved in its administration i.e. how many workers spray or otherwise are risked to exposure to the chemical?

No direct employees of Belfast Trust use the substance. However, staff from our grounds maintenance contractors use glyphosates.

Accurate numbers and frequency of use for each member of staff is not known.

(c) Have you any plans to end the use of glyphosphate given health concerns?

Our grounds maintenance contractors have advised the Trust that they have no immediate plans to end the use of glyphosphate.