

# An Garda Síochána

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## Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000422-2022 Request Part-Granted

*Dear*

I refer to your request, dated and received on 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 which you have made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 (FOI Act) for records held by An Garda Síochána.

Part 1(n) of Schedule 1 of the FOI Act states that An Garda Síochána is listed as a partially included agency "insofar as it relates to administrative records relating to human resources, or finance or procurement matters". Therefore, only administrative records that relate to human resources, finance or procurement shall be considered.

Your request sought:

*Can I have the following information under FOI:*

*How many detectives are stationed in Longford and Granard Garda Stations on a daily basis?*

*-How many gardaí are assigned to each district and at present (November 28) how many are out on sick/stress related leave?*

I wish to inform you that I have decided to part-grant your request on the 8<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

The purpose of this letter is to explain that decision.

### 1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision

Upon receipt, your request was forwarded to the relevant section of An Garda Síochána to retrieve the information requested by you and a number of records have been identified.

In relation to Part 1 of your request, “How many detectives are stationed in Longford and Granard Garda Stations on a daily basis?” I can confirm that there are 48 Detectives in the Mayo/Roscommon/Longford Division. Our records do not hold the numbers serving on a daily basis in Longford and Granard Stations.

In part 2 of your request you seek “How many gardaí are assigned to each district and at present (November 28) how many are out on sick/stress related leave?”

The Sections of the Freedom of Information Act 2014 which deny access to information are known as exemptions. In this regard, I wish to advise you that I am refusing to release the number of Gardaí assigned to each district in accordance under Section 15(1)(d) which states:

- 15(1) A head to whom an FOI request is made may refuse to grant the request where*
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- (c) the information is already in the public domain.*

On that basis I am refusing to provide information in respect of the number of Gardaí assigned to each district as that information is published on the Garda website. For ease of reference I have included the link to the website below.

<https://www.garda.ie/en/about-us/our-departments/human-resources-and-people-development/garda-hr-directorate/>

There were a total of 12 Garda Members on sick leave on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2022. This is inclusive of all types of sick leave including stress leave. It is not possible to break it down to stress only absences.

## **2. Right of Appeal**

In the event that you are not happy with this decision you may seek an Internal Review of the matter by writing to the address below and quoting reference number **FOI-000422-2022**.

**Freedom of Information Office, An Garda Síochána, Athlumney House, IDA Business Park, Navan, Co. Meath, C15 ND62.**

Please note that a fee applies. This fee has been set at €30 (€10 for a Medical Card holder). Payment should be made by way of bank draft, money order, postal order or personal cheque, and made payable to Accountant, Garda Finance Directorate, Garda Headquarters, Phoenix Park, Dublin 8.

Payment can be made by electronic means, using the following details:

**Account Name:** An Garda Síochána Imprest Account

**Account Number:** 30000302

**Sort Code:** 951599

**IBAN:** IE28DABA95159930000302

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**You must ensure that your FOI reference number FOI-000422-2022 is included in the payment details.**

You should submit your request for an Internal Review within 4 weeks from the date of this notification. The review will involve a complete reconsideration of the matter by a more senior member of An Garda Síochána and the decision will be communicated to you within 3 weeks. The making of a late appeal may be permitted in appropriate circumstances.

Please be advised that An Garda Síochána replies under Freedom of Information may be released in to the public domain via our website at [www.garda.ie](http://www.garda.ie)

Personal details in respect of your request have, where applicable, been removed to protect confidentiality.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the above, please contact the FOI Office by telephone at (046) 9036350.

Yours sincerely,



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

**PAUL BASSETT**  
**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER**



**8 DECEMBER 2022.**