Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000081-2017
Request refused

Dear

I refer to your request, dated 23rd February 2017 and received on 1st March 2017 which you have made under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2014 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:

Records of consultations or approvals given by the Commissioner or his/her representative to Galway County Council or the NRA/TII between January 2012 and the present, for the erection of approved road signage and/or traffic calming measures along the N18 (Claregalway), between its junction with the N17 (Tuam Road) and the 60km/hr speed limit sign just south of the Corporate Park entrance.

I wish to inform you that I have decided to refuse your request on the 2nd March, 2017.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

Seirbhísí gairmiúla poilínneachta agus slándála a sholáthar le hiontaoibh, muintir agus tácaíochta na ndaoine ar a bhfuil mi in ann den teacht, an gcaidrimh agus an stáitse a dhuine síochána.
1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision.

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I am therefore refusing your request as it is falls outside the scope of the FOI Act as it pertains to An Garda Síochána.

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 F01-000081-2017.


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: Garda Síochána Finance Section Public Bank Account
Account Number: 10026896
Sort Code: 900017
IBAN: IE86B0F190001710026896
BIC: BOFBIE2D

You must ensure that your FOI reference number 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.

Seirbhís galmhbhála póilínseachta agus slándála a sholáthar le hiontaoibh, nuair a agus tabacteáil na ndaoine ar a bhosnaíonn.

To deliver professional policing and security services with the trust, confidence and support of the people we serve.
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 me by telephone at (046) 9036350.

Yours sincerely,

SUPERINTENDENT
HELEN DEELY
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICE

2nd March, 2017