An Garda Síochána

Oifig Saoráil Faisnéise An Garda Síochána Teach áth Luimnigh Lárionad Gnó Udáras Forbartha Tionscail Baile Sheáin An Uaimh Contae na Mí C15 DR90



Freedom of Information Office An Garda Síochána Athlumney House **IDA Business Park** Johnstown Navan Co Meath C15 DR90

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Ríomh-phoist:/Email: foi@garda.ie

Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000130-2016 Request Granted

Dear

I refer to the Freedom of Information Act 2014 (FOI Act) and your submission to this body, dated and received on 5th April 2016.

Part 1(n) of Schedule 1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2014 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:

'How many new recruits have been assigned in County Wexford since the beginning of last year to date and how many retirees during the same date.'

I wish to inform you that your request has been granted.

The purpose of this letter is to explain that decision.

1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision

Twenty (20) Probationer Gardaí have been assigned to the Wexford Garda Division since the beginning of 2015. The Wexford Garda Division encompasses the geographical area of County Garda personnel assigned throughout the country, together with overall policing arrangements and operational strategy, are continually monitored and reviewed and are determined by a number of factors including population, crime trends and as the policing needs of each individual Division dictates. Such monitoring ensures that optimum use is made of Garda resources, and the best possible Garda service is provided to the general public.

In regard to the deployment of Garda personnel, a distribution model is used which takes into account all relevant factors including population, crime trends and as the policing needs of each individual Division dictates. It is the responsibility of the Divisional Officer to allocate personnel within his/her Division.

Eight (8) members of An Garda Síochána retired from the Wexford Garda Division between 1st January 2015 and the 13th April 2016.

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 F01-000130-2016.

Freedom of Information Office, An Garda Síochána, Athlumney House, IDA Business Park, Johnstown, Navan, Co. Meath C15 DR90

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: BOFIIE2D

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.

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,

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER

3rd May 2016