An Garda Síochána

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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000259-2016 Granted

Dear.

I refer to your request, dated and received on the 11th July 2016 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:

'I would also like to know how many retirees there were in each of the three Cork Garda Divisions between January 1st, 2015 and December 31st, 2015 and also for the period January 1st, 2016 to July 1st, 2016. I would also like to know how many Gardaí are due to retire between July this year and the end of December'.

I have decided to grant your request on the 27th July 2016.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision

Following a search in the Human Resource Management Section of An Garda Síochána, the records outlined have been identified. The records contained in Table A outline how

many members of An Garda Síochána retired in each of the three Cork Divisions between 1st January 2015 and 31st December 2015. Table A also contains the number of retirements which have taken place between 1st January 2016 and 1st July 2016.

Table A:

Division	Retirements 01/01/2015 - 31/12/2015	Retirements 01/01/2016 - 01/07/2016
Cork City	17	3
Cork North	6	3
Cork West	4	3

Your request also sought 'how many Gardaí are due to retire between July this year and the end of December'.

Please see Table B below which outlines the number of members of An Garda Síochána who are eligible to retire from 22nd July 2016 up to and including 31st December 2016. This table also includes the number of compulsory retirements due to take place between the dates outlined above.

Table B:

Division	No. of Gardaí <u>eligible</u> to retire by 31/12/16	No. of compulsory retirements by 31/12/2016
Cork City	67	2
Cork North	37	1
Cork West	30	1

Retirement on pension requires that a member attain the age of 50 years and have at least 30 years approved service. The retirement age for members of An Garda Síochána was extended from age 57 to age 60 with effect from 22nd December 2006. Therefore, it should be noted that while Table B above outlines the number of members of the force who are eligible to retire, some of these members may not avail of this option and may continue in service until reaching the compulsory retirement age of 60.

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 F01-000259-2016.

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

SUPERINTENDENT

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER

4 August 2016