

# An Garda Síochána

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## Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000461-2019 Request Part-Granted

*Dear*

I refer to your request, dated and received on 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 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:

- 1/ The amount that An Garda Síochána collected in release fees charges from vehicles seized from members of the public for no insurance, no tax etc in the years 2016, 2017, 2018 and to-date in 2019 in tabular form*
- 2/The capacity of each compound that Gardai use to store vehicles that were seized for no insurance, no tax etc from members of the public in tabular form*

I wish to inform you that I have decided to **part-grant** your request on the 25<sup>th</sup> November, 2019.

The purpose of this letter is to explain that decision.

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

Details of your request were forwarded to the relevant sections of An Garda Síochána who conducted a search of their records and have identified the following information. Your request has been numbered for ease of reference.

The table below details the records requested in relation to Part 1 of your request.

Year	2016	2017	2018	2019 to date (up to 14 November 2019)
Revenue Received	€2,337,434	€2,375,062	€2,056,409	€2,109,158

With regard to Part 2 of your request where you sought *The capacity of each compound that Gardai use to store vehicles that were seized for no insurance, no tax etc from members of the public in tabular form.*

I wish to advise that I am therefore refusing Part 2 of your request as it falls outside the scope of the FOI Act insofar as it pertains to An Garda Síochána.

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HR records refer to personal records of staff working within An Garda Síochána. They also relate to statistical information in respect of the organisation, e.g sick leave, discipline, retirements, etc. Financial records relate to the financial expenditure of the organisation and procurement records relate to the contracting of services and the tendering process associated with same.

Your request does not come within the ambit of this partially included agency as set out in Part 1(n) of Schedule 1 of the FOI Act.

## 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-000461-2019**.

**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:** IE86BOFI90001710026896

**BIC:** BOFIE2D

**You must ensure that your FOI reference number (FOI-000461-2019) 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 me by telephone at (046) 9036350.

Yours sincerely,

 **ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**  
**MARIA BRODIGAN**  
**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER**

25<sup>th</sup> **NOVEMBER, 2019.**