## An Garda Síochána

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# Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000285-2018 Request Granted

#### Dear

I refer to your request, dated and received on 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2018 which you have made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 (FOI Act) for records held by An Garda Síochána. I am aware that a member of staff of this Office was in contact with you on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2018 in respect of your initial request.

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 refined request sought:

Under the Freedom of information Act 2014, I am seeking the following information:

1: The security costs including overtime to police the visit of Prince Charles and the Duchess of Cornwall in May 2018.

I wish to inform you that I have decided to grant your request on the 13th August, 2018.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

## 1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision

Upon receipt, details of your request were provided to the Finance Directorate within An Garda Síochána who conducted a search for records relating to your request on the Financial

Management System (FMS). This Office has been briefed and a financial record has been provided for consideration. Upon review of this record I have decided to grant your request wherein you seek 'The security costs including overtime to police the visit of Prince Charles and the Duchess of Cornwall in May 2018.'

The visit of HRH the Prince of Wales and HRH the Duchess of Cornwall required security arrangements to be put in place by An Garda Síochána to ensure the safety of the visitors and the maintenance of public safety.

The total expenditure by An Garda Síochána from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018 to 9<sup>th</sup> August 2018 in respect of the official visit was €1,193,828. This expenditure relates to salaries, wages, allowances, travel, subsistence, incidental expenses, communications and other equipment.

Please note that the figure provided includes all payments made up to and including 9<sup>th</sup> August 2018. There are outstanding financial claims yet to be processed, therefore the above figure is not the total and final cost associated with the visit.

### 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-000285-2018.

Freedom of Information Office, An Garda Síochána, Athlumney House, IDA Business Park, 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:** BOFIIE2D

You must ensure that your FOI reference number FOI-000285-2018 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 <a href="https://www.garda.ie">www.garda.ie</a>

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,

Fara Kenedy SUPERINTENDENT

SHARON KENNEDY

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER

13 August, 2018