An Garda Síochána

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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000051-2019 Request Granted

Dear

I refer to your request, dated 28th January, 2019 and received on 29th January, 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:

What dates are the next four intakes of Garda Trainees to Templemore?

I wish to inform you that I have decided to grant your request on the 14th February, 2019.

The purpose of this letter is to explain that decision.

1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision

Upon receipt, the details of your request were forwarded to the Human Resource Management Section and the Garda College who conducted a search for records containing the information you have requested.

The Garda College has advised this Office that at present the following 3 dates have been scheduled, for the intake of Garda Trainees, in respect of your request as out lined in the table below:

Planned intake	of Garda Trainees
Intake 191	23/04/2019
Intake 192	15/07/2019
Intake 193	16/12/2019

The Garda College is the national centre for police training, development and education within the Irish State. It is a modern university campus type structure and is an accredited Third level training and educational centre within the National Qualification Framework (NQF) of Ireland providing accredited programmes from level 6 to level 9 on the NQF.

The Trainee/Probationer Education, Training & Development Program is a 2-year course leading to a B.A. in Applied Policing (Level 7) which is currently accredited by the University of Limerick (UL). It is a competency based programme consisting of three separate but integrated phases. The initial period of 34 weeks (including two weeks annual leave) takes place at The Garda College. Subsequent training takes place predominantly in selected Garda Divisions.

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-000051-2019**.

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 fee 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-000051-2019) 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 <u>www.garda.ie.</u>

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 the FOI Office by telephone at (046) 9036350.

Yours sincerely,

SUPERINTENDENT

SHARON KENNEDY

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER

<u>//-</u> FEBRUARY, 2019.