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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000100-2022 Request Granted

Dear

I refer to your request, dated and received on 28th February, 2022 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:

- *the amount levied in fines for non-wearing of masks for each garda district for the calendar year 2021.*
- *the amount collected in fines for non-wearing of masks for each garda district for the calendar year 2021.*

I wish to inform you that I have decided to grant your request on 21st March, 2022.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision

On receipt, your request was forwarded to the relevant Sections of An Garda Síochána who have provided the following records I can now advise that 496 fines were issued for the non-wearing of a masks in 2021. The individual fine amount is €80, which gives a total amount levied in fines as €39,680.

The table below provides a breakdown of the Districts that the fines were issued.

District	Number of Fines	District	Number of Fines
Blanchardstown	58	Portlaoise	6
Kevin Street	50	Store Street	6
Coolock	17	Bailieboro	5
Waterford	17	Donnybrook	5
Ennis	16	Leixlip	5
Henry Street	15	Longford	5
Ballymun	12	Mayfield	5
Gurranabraher	11	Pearse Street	5
Anglesea Street	10	Ballymote	4
Tallaght	10	Ballyshannon	4
Carlow	9	Blackrock, Co. Dublin	4
Kells	8	Castlebar	4
Lucan	8	Cavan	4
Navan	8	Enniscorthy	4
Ballinasloe	7	Sligo	4
Clondalkin	7	Thurles	4
Drogheda	7	Fermoy	3
Dundalk	7	Kilkenny	3
Monaghan	7	Kilrush	3
Wicklow	7	Leitrim	3
Bandon	6	Mullingar	3
Bridewell, Co Dublin	6	Nenagh	3
Claremorris	6	Roscommon	3
Clonmel	6	Togher	3
Gaillimh	6	Trim	3
Kildare	6	Tullamore	3
Letterkenny	6	Ardee	2
Loughrea	6	Ashbourne	2
Balbriggan	2	Milford, Co Donegal	2
Birr	2	Newcastle West	2
Cahir	2	Thomastown	2
Castlerea	2	Tipperary Town	2
Crumlin	2	Tralee	2
Dungarvan	2	Tramore	2
Fitzgibbon Street	2	Westport	2
Granard	2	Wexford	2
Killarney	2	Salthill	1
Listowel	2	Raheny	1
Midleton	2	Dun Laoghaire	1
Macroon	2	Mallow	1
Carrickmacross	1	Terenure	1
Athlone	1	Tuam	1
Naas	1		

I can advise that 106 fines were paid in 2021. As stated above the individual amount for a fine is €80, which gives a total amount paid in fines of €8,480.

District	Fines Paid	District	Fines Paid
Kevin Street	23	Clondalkin	1
Blanchardstown	14	Donnybrook	1
Henry Street	5	Dun Laoghaire	1
Bandon	5	Gurranabraher	1
Coolock	4	Kilkenny	1
Store Street	3	Letterkenny	1
Dundalk	3	Loughrea	1
Ballymun	3	Macroon	1
Westport	2	Mayfield	1
Trim	2	Monaghan	1
Togher	2	Mullingar	1
Tallaght	2	Thurles	1
Sligo	2	Tralee	1
Navan	2	Ballymote	1
Lucan	2	Balbriggan	1
Longford	2	Anglesea Street	1
Kildare	2	Bridewell Co Dublin	1
Ennis	2	Cahir	1
Castlerea	2	Carlow	1
Ballyshannon	2	Carrickmacross	1
Birr	1	Wicklow	1

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-000100-2022**.

Freedom of Information Office, An Garda Síochána, Athlumney House, IDA Business Park, Johnstown, Navan, Co. Meath C15 ND62.

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: An Garda Síochána Imprest Account

Account Number: 30000302

Sort Code: 951599

IBAN: IE28DABA95159930000302

BIC: DABAIE2D

You must ensure that your FOI reference number (FOI-000100-2022) 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 the FOI Office by telephone at (046) 9036350.

Yours sincerely,



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

PAUL BASSETT

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MARCH 2022.