Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000150-2019
Request Granted

Dear

I refer to your request, dated and received on 15th April, 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:

The number of vehicle technicians, collision repair technician, motorcycle technicians and HGV Technicians employed by An Garda Síochána as of 31 December 2017, 31 December 2018 and 12 April 2019 in tabular form.

I wish to inform you that I have decided to grant your request on the 7th May, 2019.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

1. Findings, particulars and reason for decisions.

Upon receipt of your request, the relevant sections of An Garda Síochána were contacted to retrieve the information. We have been advised that An Garda Síochána operates a fleet management model based on professional industry standards. All service, repairs and bodywork repairs are contracted as per tenders published through the Office of Public Procurement and are outsourced. The table below provides the details of the numbers of Vehicle Technicians employed in the requested years.
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-000150-2019


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: BOFIEIE2D

You must ensure that your FOI reference number (FOI-000150-2019) 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 into 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,

Maria Brodigan
ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER

May, 2019.