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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000269-2019 Request Granted

Dear

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

A list of costs associated with the policing of non-public duty events in the Longford, Leitrim and Roscommon in 2018 in tabular form indicating applicant, place of duty, date of duty and amount paid?

A list of costs associated with the policing of non-public duty events in the Longford, Leitrim and Roscommon from 1/1/19 to today's date (28-6-19) in tabular form indicating applicant, place of duty, date of duty and amount paid?

In this regard, I have decided to grant your request on the 12th July 2019.

The purpose of this letter is to explain that decision.

1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision

Details of your request were provided to the Finance Section of An Garda Síochána who have briefed this office in respect of same. I am to advise you that these records were the subject of a previous FOI request, reference number FOI-000030-2019. This request was published on the FOI decision log which is available on the Garda website and may be accessed by following the attached link:

https://www.garda.ie/en/information-centre/freedom-of-information/decision-log/finance-%E2%80%93-general/finance-general-decision-logs-2019.html

I wish to advise that since the publication of this information in January 2019, additional payments have been made to An Garda Síochána and the Finance Directorate have provided details of these additional non-public duty events for 2018 in Roscommon, Longford and Leitrim. Please see Appendix A attached. Details for non-public duty events for 2019 in Roscommon, Longford and Leitrim are attached at Appendix B.

Under Section 30 of the Garda Síochána Act 2005, An Garda Síochána may provide and charge for police services for events on private property or in areas open to the public if:

- (a) It is in the public interest and consistent with the functions of An Garda Síochána to provide the services, and
- (b) The Commissioner is satisfied that the person has paid or will pay to the Commissioner the charges for the services.

Non-public duty is performed by members of An Garda Síochána under arrangements made with organisers of events such as football matches, concerts and race meetings, etc. who seek to engage the services of members of An Garda Síochána to perform duties to which they would not normally be assigned.

Members of An Garda Síochána have been made available for the performance of such duties and the State has charged for their services. This work is normally performed by members who would otherwise be off duty. It is generally the practice to charge organisations for the costs of duties performed by members inside the event.

In general, the cost of policing duties performed by Gardaí outside the event such as traffic control, beat patrols and other public policing duties which would be additional to those normally performed at the location, are not paid by the organisation hosting the event but fall to be paid from the Garda Vote. However, at some specific larger events An Garda Síochána seeks a contribution from the promoters to overall policing costs. In this regard, I advise that the level of contribution to be made to An Garda Síochána is agreed by the local District Officer with the organisers, taking into account the nature and size of the event.

At all times, it is the policy of An Garda Síochána that the safety of the public must be the ultimate concern.

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-000269-2019.

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: BOFIIE2D

You must ensure that your FOI reference number (FOI-000269-2019) 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.

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

<u>12</u> July, 2019.

Roscommon

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Applicant	Place of duty	Date Of Duty	Amount pd
Roscommon GAA	Hyde Park	28/01/2018	433.44
Roscommon GAA	Hyde Park	11/02/2018	433.44
Roscommon GAA	Hyde Park	18/03/2018	433.44
Roscommon GAA	Hyde Park	25/03/2018	433.44
Connacht GAA	Hyde Park	17/06/2018	11,021.83
Roadstone	Cam	24/09/2018	220.05
Roscommon GAA	Hyde Park	03 & 10/02/2019	1,945.82
Roscommon GAA	Hyde Park	03/03/2019	1,925.15
Roscommon Races	Roscommon Racecourse	13/05/2019	477.90
Roscommon Races	Roscommon Racecourse	10 & 11/06/2019	887.14
Roscommon Races	Roscommon Racecourse	08 & 09/07/2019	0.00
Roscommon Races	Roscommon Racecourse	06 & 19/08/2019	0.00
Roscommon Races	Roscommon Racecourse	02 & 30/03/2019	0.00
Roscommon GAA	Hyde Park	24/03/2019	1,359.03
Midsummers Day	Roscommon Racecourse	23/06/2019	0.00
Connacht GAA	Hyde Park	12/05/2019	0.00
Longford			
Applicant	Place of duty	Date Of Duty	Amount pd
Longford Summer Festival	Longford	05,06,07/07/2018	3,600.00
Hype Festival	Longford	18/05/2019	960.00
FAI	Longford	03,06,07/05/2019	0.00
<u>Leitrim</u>			
Applicant	Place of duty	Date Of Duty	Amount pd
Connacht GAA	Carrick on Shannon	26/05/2018	5,307.74
Landmark Hotel	Carrick on Shannon	21/12/2018	880.00
Cumann Luthchleas Gael	Carrick on Shannon	16/02/2019	500.00
Landmark Hotel	Carrick on Shannon	15/02/2019	880.00
Landmark Hotel	Carrick on Shannon	15/03/2019	520.00
Landmark Hotel	Carrick on Shannon	12/04/2019	600.00
Cowboys & Heroes	Ballinamore	31/05 to 02/06/2019	4,500.00
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Carrick Carnival	Carrick on Shannon	31/05 to 02/06/2019	900.00
Cumann Luthchleas Gael	Carrick on Shannon	08/06/2019	400.00
Cumann Luthchleas Gael	Carrick on Shannon	22/06/2019	400.00

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Landmark Hotel	Carrick on Shannon	15/03/2019	520.00
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Cumann Luthchleas Gael	Carrick on Shannon	22/06/2019	400.00