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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000305-2021 Request Part-Granted

Dear

I refer to your request, dated and received on 3rd September, 2021 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:

I wish to apply under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 for the following information relating to finance/procurement

- 1. The amount spent by AGS at shooting ranges in each of the years 2010 to 2021*
- 2. The names of shooting ranges where AGS expenditure occurred*

I wish to inform you that I have decided to part-grant your request on 30th September, 2021.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision in respect of each part of your request.

1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision

Details of your request were provided to the Finance Directorate of An Garda Síochána who conducted a search for records in relation to your request.

I have been advised that following a search of the Financial Management System, no records have been identified in respect of the information sought by you for the years 2010 to 2013.

Therefore, I wish to advise that I am refusing this part of your request in accordance with Section 15(1)(a) of the FOI Act which states:

Refusal on Administrative Grounds to grant FOI requests:

*15(1) A head to whom an FOI request is made may refuse to grant the request where –
(a) the record concerned does not exist or cannot be found after all reasonable steps to ascertain its whereabouts have been taken*

I am also refusing to release records sought for the years 2014 to 2019. I am doing so in accordance with Section 15(1)(d) of the FOI Act which states:

Refusal on Administrative Grounds to grant FOI requests:

*15. (1) A head to whom an FOI request is made may refuse to grant the request where –
(d) the information is already in the public domain.*

The information you seek in respect of the years 2014 to 2019 was the subject of a previous FOI request (FOI-000092-2021).

As it is the policy of An Garda Síochána to publish all non-personal requests that result in a release of records these may be accessed by following the link below.

<https://www.garda.ie/en/information-centre/freedom-of-information/decision-log/freedom-of-information-office/freedom-of-information-foi-decision-logs.html>

The table below outlines the records sought for 2021 to date.

Vendor Name	2021
Midlands National Shooting Centre of Ireland Ltd	€13,900

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-000305-2021**.

Freedom of Information Office, An Garda Síochána, Athlumney House, IDA Business Park, 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-000305-2021 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

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER

30th SEPTEMBER, 2021.