An Garda Síochána

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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000002-2018 Request Granted

Dear

I refer to your request, dated 30th December, 2017 and received on the 3rd January, 2018 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 would like to request a list of all payments received by An Garda Siochána for overseeing security, traffic management and public safety at all events in Longford, Leitrim and Roscommom in 2017, including details of the name of the event, who organised it and who paid the money.

I wish to inform you that I have decided to grant your request on the 29th January, 2018.

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 on the provisions of non-public duty and have also identified the records for non public duty performed in Longford, Leitrim and Roscommon in 2017 as requested. A copy of these records are outlined below:

Payments Received 2017 - Longford, Leitrim & Roscommon

Applicant	Place of duty	Amount(€)
Landmark Hotel	Leitrim	360.00
Landmark Hotel	Leitrim	720.00
Landmark Hotel	Leitrim	1,160.00
Landmark Hotel	Leitrim	960.00
Landmark Hotel	Leitrim	640.00
Landmark Hotel	Leitrim	120.00
Midsummers Day	Roscommon Racecourse	1,468.77
Roscommon Races	Roscommon Racecourse	541.13
Cowboys & Heroes	Ballinamore	8,000.00
Roscommon Races	Roscommon Racecourse	895.00
Hype Festival	Longford	1,511.16
Carrick Festival	Carrick On Shannon	1,440.00
Roscommon Races	Roscommon Racecourse	929.63
Ballymahon Fleadh	Ballymahon	600.00
Ballinamore Festival	Leitrim	500.00
Roscommon Races	Roscommon Racecourse	447.50
Longford Town FC	Longford	480.00
Roscommon Races	Roscommon Racecourse	543.19
Roscommon Races	Roscommon Racecourse	498.62
Burma Shave DAC	Boyle	3,571.59
Roscommon Races	Roscommon Racecourse	569.07
Longford Town FC	Longford	480.00
Longford GAA	Longford	320.00

Non-public duty is performed by members of An Garda Síochána under arrangements made with organisers of events such as football matches, concerts, 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 done 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-000002-2018.

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-000002-2018) 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,

SUPERINTENDENT

SHARON KENNEDY

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER

29 JANUARY 2018