

# An Garda Síochána

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## Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000297-2016 Refused

*Dear*

I refer to your request, dated and received on 8<sup>th</sup> August 2016 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:

*How many referrals to TUSLA or other child service agencies have being referred to the welfare services by the Gardaí at Bailieboro station in the year 2014 and subsequent years to even date.*

*Re my previous email I wish to request the information under the foi act regarding referrals to social services for 2014 and subsequent years, how many referrals were initiated by Bailieboro Station in Cavan related to children.*

I wish to inform you that I have decided to refuse your request on the 10<sup>th</sup> August 2016.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

## 1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision.

I am refusing your request pursuant to Part 1(n) of Schedule 1 of the FOI Act which 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 is in relation to an operational policing matter which is outside the scope of the FOI Act insofar as it pertains to An Garda Síochána.

However, a member of my staff has made contact with the TUSLA Child and Family Agency who have advised that you can make a non-personal FOI request in writing to the address below if you so wish. They have advised that you should seek the number of referrals made by Gardaí at Bailieboro to the TUSLA Child and Family Agency in this request.

I have provided the contact details below for ease of reference:

Ms. Elizabeth Dunne,  
FOI Corporate,  
TUSLA Child and Family Agency,  
4<sup>th</sup> Floor Brunel Building,  
Hueston South Quarter,  
Dublin 8.

## 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 **F01-000297-2016**.

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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:** IE86B0F190001710026896  
**BIC:** BOFIE2D

**You must ensure that your FOI reference number (FOI-000297-2016) 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](http://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  
**HELEN DEELY**  
**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER**

12<sup>th</sup> AUGUST, 2016