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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000396-2016 Refused

Dear

I refer to your request, dated and received on 28th October, 2016 which you have made under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2014 for records held by An Garda Síochána.

Your request sought:

- *number of motoring offences committed between October 1st 2015 and September 30th 2016, figures broken down county by county.*
- *drink driving offences committed between the same dates, also broken down by county.*

I wish to inform you that I have decided to refuse your request on 2nd November, 2016.

The purpose of this letter is to explain that decision.

1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decisions to deny access

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*”. As your request does not seek administrative records relating to human

resources, finance or procurement, it is outside the scope of the FOI Act insofar as it pertains to An Garda Síochána.

However, I advise that the responsibility for the administration of penalty points is a matter for the Road Safety Authority (RSA). The RSA publishes various statistics on penalty points on their website at the following link: <http://www.rsa.ie/en/RSA/Road-Safety/Our-Research/> and this may provide you with the information you seek.

Alternatively, you may consider submitting your request to the RSA directly.

2. Rights 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-000396-2016**.

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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-000340-2016) 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.

Personal details in respect of your request will be removed to protect confidentiality where applicable.

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.

2nd NOVEMBER, 2016