

An Garda Síochána

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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000297-2023 Request Part-Granted

Dear

I refer to your request, dated and received on 29th August, 2023 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 make a Freedom of information request under the Freedom of Information Act 2014. I wish to be provided with data (in excel format if available) of the resources assigned to community policing per individual Garda division for the preceding 12 month period.

I wish to have the numbers of active Community Policing Teams per division, the numbers of Community gardai and their rank per CPT, the number of patrol vehicles per CPT and the number of incidents responded to per CPT.

I wish to inform you that I have decided to part grant your request on the 19th September, 2023. The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision.

Upon receipt, your request was forwarded to the relevant sections of An Garda Síochána where searches were conducted in respect of same. The tables attached below detail the records supplied by the Human Resource Office of An Garda Síochána.

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Community policing is at the heart of An Garda Síochána as it recognises that every community, either urban or rural, has its own concerns and expectations. The role of a Community Garda is not a specialist role in An Garda Síochána; rather it is the case that all Gardaí have a role to play in community policing in carrying out their duties. The official categorisation of Community Garda simply refers to those who are exclusively assigned to building relationships with local communities and civil society including giving talks to schools, community groups and others. It is a matter for the Divisional Chief Superintendent to determine the optimum distribution of duties among the personnel available to him or her having regard to the profile of the area and its specific needs.

As part of the Community Policing Model, An Garda Síochána work in partnership with local communities, to prevent and deter crime through initiatives such as Neighbourhood Watch, Community Alert, Text Alert and the Garda Schools Programme as well as through more formal structures such as Joint Policing Committees.

I am refusing the parts of your request that seeks “*the number of patrol vehicles per CPT and the number of incidents responded to per CPT*” pursuant to 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.

HR records refer to personal records of staff working within An Garda Síochána. They also relate to statistical information in respect of the organisation, e.g sick leave, discipline, retirements, etc. Financial records relate to the financial expenditure of the organisation and procurement records relate to the contracting of services and the tendering process associated with same.

I also wish to advise that you may access additional information on Community Policing figures which are published on the Government website and can be accessed by following the link below;

<https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/f69f7-community-policing/>

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-000297-2023**.

Freedom of Information Office, An Garda Síochána, Athlumney House, IDA Business Park, 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: An Garda Síochána Imprest Account

Account Number: 30000302
Sort Code: 951599
IBAN: IE28DABA95159930000302
BIC: DABAIE2D

You must ensure that your FOI reference number (FOI-000297-2023) 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.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the above, please contact me by telephone at (046) 9036350.

Yours sincerely,



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

PAUL BASSETT
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER

19 SEPTEMBER, 2023.

Community Policing Strengths as on 31.8.22				
Division	Insp	Sergeant	Garda	Total
Cavan/Monaghan	1	1	13	15
Clare	1	1	8	10
Cork City	0	3	35	38
Cork North	0	0	7	7
Cork West	0	0	4	4
DMR East	0	2	27	29
DMR North	0	7	60	67
DMR North Central	2	6	42	50
DMR South	1	8	45	54
DMR South Central	2	6	38	46
DMR West	0	8	55	63
Donegal	0	10	61	71
Galway	0	2	22	24
Kerry	0	1	9	10
Kildare	0	0	9	9
Kilkenny/Carlow	0	11	88	99
Laois/Offaly	0	1	11	12
Limerick	0	3	31	34
Louth	0	3	21	24
Mayo	0	2	9	11
Meath	0	2	5	7
Roscommon/Longford	0	3	7	10
Sligo/Leitrim	0	2	8	10
Tipperary	0	2	7	9
Waterford	0	2	23	25
Westmeath	0	2	6	8
Wexford	0	1	15	16
Wicklow	0	1	5	6

Community Policing Strengths as on 31.9.22				
Division	Insp	Sergeant	Garda	Total
Cavan/Monaghan	1	1	14	16
Clare	1	1	8	10
Cork City	0	2	35	37
Cork North	0	0	7	7
Cork West	0	0	4	4
DMR East	0	2	27	29
DMR North	0	7	56	63
DMR North Central	2	6	48	56
DMR South	1	7	45	53
DMR South Central	2	6	36	44
DMR West	0	8	54	62
Donegal	0	9	56	65
Galway	0	2	22	24
Kerry	0	1	9	10
Kildare	0	1	9	10
Kilkenny/Carlow	0	11	87	98
Laois/Offaly	0	1	11	12
Limerick	0	3	30	33
Louth	0	3	21	24
Mayo	0	2	9	11
Meath	0	2	5	7
Roscommon/Longford	0	3	8	11
Sligo/Leitrim	0	2	8	10
Tipperary	0	2	7	9
Waterford	0	2	23	25
Westmeath	0	2	6	8
Wexford	0	1	15	16
Wicklow	0	1	5	6

Community Policing Strengths as on 31.10.22				
Division	Insp	Sergeant	Garda	Total
Cavan/Monaghan	1	1	14	16
Clare	1	1	8	10
Cork City	0	2	36	38
Cork North	0	0	7	7
Cork West	0	0	4	4
DMR East	0	2	27	29
DMR North	0	7	56	63
DMR North Central	2	6	48	56
DMR South	1	6	44	51
DMR South Central	2	6	36	44
DMR West	2	8	54	64
Donegal	0	10	54	64
Galway	0	2	22	24
Kerry	0	1	9	10
Kildare	0	1	9	10
Kilkenny/Carlow	0	11	85	96
Laois/Offaly	0	1	10	11
Limerick	0	3	30	33
Louth	0	3	20	23
Mayo	0	2	9	11
Meath	0	1	5	6
Roscommon/Longford	0	3	7	10
Sligo/Leitrim	0	2	8	10
Tipperary	0	2	7	9
Waterford	0	2	20	22
Westmeath	0	2	11	13
Wexford	0	1	15	16
Wicklow	0	1	4	5

Community Policing Strengths as on 31.11.22				
Division	Insp	Sergeant	Garda	Total
Cavan/Monaghan	1	1	14	16
Clare	1	1	8	10
Cork City	0	2	36	38
Cork North	0	0	7	7
Cork West	0	0	4	4
DMR East	0	2	27	29
DMR North	0	7	57	64
DMR North Central	2	5	35	42
DMR South	1	6	44	51
DMR South Central	2	5	37	44
DMR West	2	7	54	63
Donegal	1	7	60	68
Galway	0	2	21	23
Kerry	0	1	9	10
Kildare	0	1	9	10
Kilkenny/Carlow	0	11	85	96
Laois/Offaly	0	1	11	12
Limerick	0	3	28	31
Louth	0	3	20	23
Mayo	0	2	8	10
Meath	0	2	8	10
Roscommon/Longford	0	2	8	10
Sligo/Leitrim	0	2	7	9
Tipperary	0	2	7	9
Waterford	0	2	20	22
Westmeath	0	2	10	12
Wexford	0	1	16	17
Wicklow	0	1	4	5

Community Policing Strengths as on 31.12.22				
Division	Insp	Sergeant	Garda	Total
Cavan/Monaghan	1	1	14	16
Clare	1	1	8	10
Cork City	0	2	34	36
Cork North	0	0	7	7
Cork West	0	0	4	4
DMR East	0	2	27	29
DMR North	0	7	57	64
DMR North Central	1	5	34	40
DMR South	1	6	41	48
DMR South Central	2	5	37	44
DMR West	2	7	52	61
Donegal	1	7	60	68
Galway	0	2	21	23
Kerry	0	1	9	10
Kildare	0	1	9	10
Kilkenny/Carlow	0	11	83	94
Laois/Offaly	0	1	11	12
Limerick	0	3	28	31
Louth	0	3	20	23
Mayo	0	2	8	10
Meath	0	2	8	10
Roscommon/Longford	0	2	8	10
Sligo/Leitrim	0	2	7	9
Tipperary	0	2	7	9
Waterford	0	2	19	21
Westmeath	0	2	10	12
Wexford	0	1	16	17
Wicklow	0	1	4	5

Community Policing Strengths as on 31.01.23				
Division	Insp	Sergeant	Garda	Total
Cavan/Monaghan	1	1	14	16
Clare	1	1	8	10
Cork City	0	2	34	36
Cork North	0	0	7	7
Cork West	0	0	4	4
DMR East	0	2	27	29
DMR North	0	7	60	67
DMR North Central	1	5	33	39
DMR South	1	6	41	48
DMR South Central	2	5	37	44
DMR West	2	8	53	63
Donegal	0	1	12	13
Galway	0	2	21	23
Kerry	0	1	9	10
Kildare	0	1	9	10
Kilkenny/Carlow	0	11	83	94
Laois/Offaly	0	1	11	12
Limerick	0	3	28	31
Louth	0	3	19	22
Mayo	0	2	8	10
Meath	0	2	8	10
Roscommon/Longford	0	2	8	10
Sligo/Leitrim	0	2	7	9
Tipperary	0	2	7	9
Waterford	0	2	21	23
Westmeath	0	2	10	12
Wexford	0	1	16	17
Wicklow	0	0	5	5

Community Policing Strengths as on 28.02.23				
Division	Insp	Sergeant	Garda	Total
Cavan/Monaghan	1	1	14	16
Clare	1	1	8	10
Cork City	0	2	33	35
Cork North	0	0	7	7
Cork West	0	0	4	4
DMR East	0	2	27	29
DMR North	0	7	61	68
DMR North Central	1	5	29	35
DMR South	1	6	41	48
DMR South Central	2	6	46	54
DMR West	2	8	52	62
Donegal	0	1	12	13
Galway	0	2	21	23
Kerry	0	1	9	10
Kildare	0	1	9	10
Kilkenny/Carlow	0	11	83	94
Laois/Offaly	0	1	11	12
Limerick	0	3	26	29
Louth	0	3	18	21
Mayo	0	2	7	9
Meath	0	2	8	10
Roscommon/Longford	0	2	8	10
Sligo/Leitrim	0	2	7	9
Tipperary	0	2	6	8
Waterford	0	2	21	23
Westmeath	0	2	10	12
Wexford	0	1	16	17
Wicklow	0	0	5	5

Community Policing Strengths as on 31.03.23

Division	Insp	Sergeant	Garda	Total
Cavan/Monaghan	1	1	14	16
Clare	1	1	8	10
Cork City	0	3	33	36
Cork North	0	0	7	7
Cork West	0	0	4	4
DMR East	0	2	27	29
DMR North	0	7	58	65
DMR North Central	1	4	31	36
DMR South	1	6	40	47
DMR South Central	2	6	46	54
DMR West	2	8	52	62
Donegal	0	1	12	13
Galway	0	2	21	23
Kerry	0	1	9	10
Kildare	0	1	9	10
Kilkenny/Carlow	0	9	78	87
Laois/Offaly	0	1	11	12
Limerick	0	3	26	29
Louth	1	3	18	22
Mayo	0	2	7	9
Meath	0	2	8	10
Roscommon/Longford	0	2	8	10
Sligo/Leitrim	0	2	7	9
Tipperary	0	2	6	8
Waterford	0	2	19	21
Westmeath	0	2	10	12
Wexford	0	1	16	17
Wicklow	0	0	5	5

Community Policing Strengths as on 30.04.23				
Division	Insp	Sergeant	Garda	Total
Cavan/Monaghan	1	1	14	16
Clare	1	1	8	10
Cork City	0	3	33	36
Cork North	0	0	7	7
Cork West	0	0	4	4
DMR East	0	2	27	29
DMR North	0	7	60	67
DMR North Central	1	3	31	35
DMR South	1	6	39	46
DMR South Central	2	6	46	54
DMR West	1	7	53	61
Donegal	0	1	12	13
Galway	0	2	21	23
Kerry	0	1	9	10
Kildare	0	1	9	10
Kilkenny/Carlow	0	9	78	87
Laois/Offaly	0	1	11	12
Limerick	0	3	26	29
Louth	2	3	18	23
Mayo	0	2	7	9
Meath	0	2	8	10
Roscommon/Longford	0	2	8	10
Sligo/Leitrim	0	2	7	9
Tipperary	0	2	6	8
Waterford	0	2	19	21
Westmeath	0	2	10	12
Wexford	0	1	16	17
Wicklow	0	0	5	5

Community Policing Strengths as on 31.05.23				
Division	Insp	Sergeant	Garda	Total
Cavan/Monaghan	1	1	14	16
Clare	1	1	8	10
Cork City	0	3	33	36
Cork North	0	0	6	6
Cork West	0	0	4	4
DMR East	0	2	27	29
DMR North	0	7	64	71
DMR North Central	1	4	29	34
DMR South	1	6	39	46
DMR South Central	2	6	46	54
DMR West	1	7	53	61
Donegal	0	1	11	12
Galway	0	2	21	23
Kerry	0	1	9	10
Kildare	0	1	9	10
Kilkenny/Carlow	0	9	78	87
Laois/Offaly	0	1	11	12
Limerick	0	3	26	29
Louth	2	3	14	19
Mayo	0	2	7	9
Meath	0	2	8	10
Roscommon/Longford	0	2	8	10
Sligo/Leitrim	0	2	7	9
Tipperary	0	2	6	8
Waterford	0	2	19	21
Westmeath	0	2	10	12
Wexford	0	1	16	17
Wicklow	0	0	5	5

Community Policing Strengths as on 30.06.23				
Division	Insp	Sergeant	Garda	Total
Cavan/Monaghan	0	2	13	15
Clare	1	1	8	10
Cork City	0	3	33	36
Cork North	0	0	6	6
Cork West	0	0	4	4
DMR East	0	2	27	29
DMR North	0	7	64	71
DMR North Central	1	5	28	34
DMR South	1	6	39	46
DMR South Central	2	6	42	50
DMR West	1	7	53	61
Donegal	0	1	6	7
Galway	0	2	21	23
Kerry	0	1	9	10
Kildare	0	1	9	10
Kilkenny/Carlow	0	9	78	87
Laois/Offaly	0	1	11	12
Limerick	1	2	28	31
Louth	2	3	14	19
Mayo	0	2	7	9
Meath	0	2	8	10
Roscommon/Longford	0	2	8	10
Sligo/Leitrim	0	2	7	9
Tipperary	0	2	6	8
Waterford	0	2	19	21
Westmeath	0	2	10	12
Wexford	0	1	16	17
Wicklow	0	1	5	6

Community Policing Strengths as on 31.07.23				
Division	Insp	Sergeant	Garda	Total
Cavan/Monaghan	0	2	13	15
Clare	1	1	8	10
Cork City	0	3	33	36
Cork North	0	0	6	6
Cork West	0	0	4	4
DMR East	0	2	27	29
DMR North	0	7	63	70
DMR North Central	1	5	28	34
DMR South	1	6	39	46
DMR South Central	2	6	42	50
DMR West	1	7	53	61
Donegal	0	1	6	7
Galway	0	1	21	22
Kerry	0	1	8	9
Kildare	0	0	12	12
Kilkenny/Carlow	0	8	75	83
Laois/Offaly	0	4	6	10
Limerick	0	1	25	26
Louth	1	2	14	17
Mayo	0	2	7	9
Meath	0	2	8	10
Roscommon/Longford	0	2	7	9
Sligo/Leitrim	0	2	7	9
Tipperary	0	2	6	8
Waterford	0	2	18	20
Westmeath	0	2	10	12
Wexford	0	1	16	17
Wicklow	0	1	5	6