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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000353-2026 Decision Part Granted

Dear

I refer to your request, dated 3rd July, 2026 and received on 6th July, 2026 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:

- 1. Statistical data on recorded incidents of violent crime (including assault causing harm, assault causing serious harm, and related offences) within the Blanchardstown Garda Sub-District for the period 1 July 2024 to 3 July 2026, broken down by month where possible.*
- 2. Any records showing the number of Garda personnel assigned to community policing duties within the Blanchardstown/Mulhuddart area over the same period.*
- 3. Any internal reports, memos, or briefing documents (excluding records relating to any specific ongoing criminal investigation) that reference patterns of violent crime, resourcing decisions, or patrol strategy for the Mulhuddart area within this period.*

I wish to inform you that I have decided to part grant your request on 17th July, 2026. The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision.

On review of your request I wish to advise that I am refusing part 1 & 3 of your request as the records sought do not come within the ambit of this partially included agency as set out in Part 1(n) of Schedule 1 of the FOI Act. As such no right of access exists under the FOI Act to these records.

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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.

In relation to Part 2 of your request the table below details records sought in this part of your request.

Number of Community Policing Garda Assigned to Blanchardstown/Mulhuddart			
Month	2024	2025	2026
January	N/A	10	10
February	N/A	10	10
March	N/A	12	16
April	N/A	11	16
May	N/A	11	16
June	N/A	11	N/A
July	12	11	N/A
August	12	11	N/A
September	12	10	N/A
October	11	10	N/A
November	11	10	N/A
December	11	10	N/A

1. 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-000353-2026**.

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-000353-2026 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.



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

PAUL BASSETT

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER

17 JULY, 2026.