

# An Garda Síochána

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## Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000410-2023 Request Part-Granted

*Dear*

I refer to your request, dated **27<sup>th</sup> November, 2023** and received on **28<sup>th</sup> November, 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:

*Under the FOI Act 2014, I am seeking the following data for each of 2020, 2021, 2022, and thus far in 2023:*

- *the number of members who were paid temporary rehabilitation remuneration and the amount paid out in TRR for each year.*
- *the number of members who were forced to retire due to "ordinary illness" in each year.*
- *the number of members who were forced to retire due to "injury on duty" in each year.*
- *the number of members who were forced to retire due to "critical (or long-term) illness" in each year.*

I wish to inform you that I have decided to part grant your request on the 18<sup>th</sup> December 2023. The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

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

Details of your request were provided to the relevant sections of An Garda Síochána where a search was carried out to identify the records sought in your request.

In response to part 1 of your request, the table below reflects TRR payments that were made in each year and also arrears of TRR that were also paid in that year. The arrears paid may relate to a previous year. However our reporting systems does not have the ability to determine which period the TRR arrears relate to.

Year	Number of members in receipt of TRR	Value Paid
2020	261	€699,803
2021	244	€298,954
2022	296	€781,710
2023	330	€932,359

In relation to part 2, 3 and 4 of your request, I wish to advise that while the Garda HRM system records the number of members medically discharged, it does not differentiate between those suffering “ordinary illness”, “injury on duty” or “critical (or long term) illness”. As the records sought are not held, I am refusing these parts of your request in accordance with Section 15(1)(a) of the FOI Act wherein:

### ***Refusal on administrative grounds to grant FOI requests:***

*15(1) A head to whom an FOI request is made may refuse to grant the request where  
(a) the record concerned does not exist or cannot be found after all reasonable steps to ascertain its whereabouts have been taken,*

However in order to assist you the following table outlines the number of Garda members who were medically discharged in the years 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023 as of the 7<sup>th</sup> December 2023.

Year	Total
2023	24
2022	18
2021	6
2020	9
Total	57

## 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-000410-2023**.

**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-000410-2023 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.

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 the FOI Office by telephone at (046) 9036350.

Yours sincerely,



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

**PAUL BASSETT**

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER**

18 DECEMBER, 2023.