Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000437-2020
Request Granted

Dear

I refer to your request, dated 24th November, 2020 and received on 25th November, 2020 which you have made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 (FOI Act) for records held by An Garda Síochána.

Part I(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 am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act to request the following information:

Please can you provide records on how many Garda officers have been charged and convicted with crimes in past five years and how many currently have a criminal record.

I wish to inform you that I have decided to grant your request on the 8th January 2021. I apologise for the delay in furnishing this reply to you.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.
1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision.

The Internal Affairs Section of An Garda Síochána were contacted to identify the information requested in your FOI Request. Internal Affairs have advised this office that records held at that office show that 36 Garda members have been convicted of crimes in the period 2016-2020.

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-000437-2020.


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-000437-2020 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 me by telephone at (046) 9036350.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

PAUL BASSETT

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER

8 January 2021