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Johnstown, Navan,
Co Meath.
C15 ND62

Phone: (046) 9036350
foi@garda.ie

Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000354-2026 Request Granted

Dear [REDACTED]

I refer to your request, dated 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:

Under the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2014, I am seeking all records showing how many staff are attending the office versus working from home?

I wish to inform you that I have decided to **grant** your request on 24th July 2026. 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 Human Resource Section of An Garda Síochána where searches have been conducted for records relevant to your request.

There is currently 1,811 Garda Personnel availing of a Blended Working Arrangement. This is broken down as 1,584 Garda Staff and 227 Garda Members. There are 14,430 Garda Members and 3,498 Garda Staff as of 31st May 2026.

The availability of a blended working arrangement for Garda personnel is subject to eligibility requirements. Garda Personnel working in eligible roles may be approved to work a blended arrangement of 1 or 2 days per week remotely. This is regularly assessed by local management having regard to operational, organisational and team needs. While An Garda Síochána is committed to being a workplace of choice, the policing and security service must continue to be delivered to the highest of standards, and in an efficient and effective manner. Blended working arrangements cannot negatively impact on service delivery across policing, operational or business functions

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-000354-2026**.

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-000354-2026 is included in the payment details.

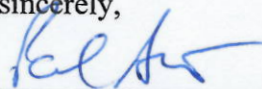
You should submit your request for an Internal Review within 4 weeks from the date of this notification. The review will involve a complete reconsideration of the matter by a more senior member of An Garda Síochána and the decision will be communicated to you within 3 weeks. The making of a late appeal 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.

Yours sincerely,



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
PAUL BASSETT
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER

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JULY, 2026.