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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Request Number: F-2008-03897

Keyword: Organisational Information/Governance

Subject: ANNUAL COST TO RUN AND MAINTAIN MOUNTPOTTINGER PSNI STATION

Request:

I wish to submit a number of questions regarding information on Mountpottinger PSNI Barracks in the Short Strand.

Question 1 - What did it cost annually - Financial year 2006/2007 to run and maintain Mountpottinger Station?

Question 2 - In the last year 31st July 2007 - 31 July 2008, how many members of the Public have contacted and or used the Mountpottinger facility?

Answer:

This is to inform you that the Police Service of Northern Ireland has now completed its search for the information you requested. The decision has been taken to disclose the located information to you in full.

Answer 1 - Please find attached 0000001609.pdf – Appendix A - and 1610.pdf – Appendix B.

Answer 2 -

1 person has been signing bail over the period requested 3 times per week.

6 people in relation to lost property.

1 person in relation to found property.

8 people in relation to producing documents.

I would add that other members of the public have called to the station to speak to officers but these facts would not be recorded as a matter of course.

All calls to the Enquiry Office phones in Mountpottinger will be transferred through the Switchboard. This is true of most other phones in Mountpottinger as well.

Consequently it is impossible to be certain from the call log whether the originating call is coming from a member of the

public or a PSNI user dialling from outside or internally.

The call log would not be a true indication of the volume of public calls into Mountpottinger.

If you have any queries regarding your request or the decision please do not hesitate to contact me on 028 9070 0164. When contacting the Freedom of Information Team, please quote the reference number listed at the beginning of this email.

If you are dissatisfied in any way with the handling of your request, you have the right to request a review. You should do this as soon as possible, or in any case within two months of the date of issue of this letter. In the event that you require a review to be undertaken, you can do so by writing to the Head of Freedom of Information, PSNI Headquarters, 65 Knock Road, Belfast, BT5 6LE or by emailing foi@psni.pnn.police.uk.

If following an internal review, carried out by an independent decision maker, you were to remain dissatisfied in any way with the handling of the request you may make a complaint, under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act, to the Information Commissioner's Office and ask that they investigate whether the PSNI has complied with the terms of the Freedom of Information Act. You can write to the Information Commissioner at Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. In most circumstances the Information Commissioner will not investigate a complaint unless an internal review procedure has been carried out, however the Commissioner has the option to investigate the matter at his discretion.

Please be advised that all PSNI replies under Freedom of Information will be released simultaneously into the public domain via our website @ www.psni.police.uk.

Personal details in respect of your request have, where applicable, been removed to protect confidentiality.

Appendix A

Mountpottinger 06/07

		Security Guards		Gas		Electricity		Rates		Oil		Minor Works
Apr-06		6146.83		1205.46		843.25						
May-06		8851.33		907.94		804.67						
Jun-06		6884.36		778.3		816.71						
Jul-06		7376.1		100.55		804.65						
Aug-06		8605.45		198.58		831.96						
Sep-06		6884.36		659.12		869.01						
Oct-06		6884.36		901.23		885.67						
Nov-06		8605.45		1720.74		735.39						
Dec-06		7121.4		1726.7		1196.79						
Jan-07		7764.44		1827.67		0						
Feb-07		8846.95		1572.66		2565.89						
Mar-07		8341.41		896.96		1025.71						
Total		92312.44		12495.91		11379.7		5167.5		0		0
Total Costs 06/07		£121,355.55										

Appendix B

Ground rent	Rates	Rent & rates Total	MAINTENANCE	Total Expenditure
70	5,168	**5,238**	**30,757.16**	**58,887.16**