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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2009-01950

Keyword: Crime

Subject: BILLY WRIGHT INQUIRY

Request and Answer:

Question 1

The total overall cost incurred to date by the Police Service of Northern Ireland in respect of all work carried out by it in relation to the Billy Wright Inquiry.

Answer

Public Inquiry costs are captured collectively and not broken down into each separate inquiry therefore the level of detail requested is not available. However the external legal costs paid by the PSNI for this inquiry is £901k.

Question 2

The total cost incurred to date by the PSNI in providing security for police/security service witnesses giving evidence at Oral hearings of the Billy Wright Inquiry at Banbridge Court House.

Answer

Information is not held, as this information is not collated.

Question 3

The salary paid to former ACC Sam Kinkaid in respect of the preparation of the PSNI report provided to the Billy Wright Inquiry in October 2007.

Answer

The costs to PSNI for the drafting of Sam Kinkaid's report delivered in October 2007 is £12,175.00

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