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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2009-03700

Keyword: Operational Policing

Subject: SOUTH BELFAST DPP MEETING HELD ON 28 OCTOBER 2009

Request and Answer:

Question 1

On 28 October 2009 the PSNI attended a South Belfast DPP meeting - could you give me a full breakdown of the £269.88 costs – i.e. how many officers attended/cost per hour/the breakdown of the costs for the four questions submitted.

Answer

The actual cost of 2 officers attending the meeting on 28 October 2009 was £81,10. A previous costing provided (£182.44) was an estimate based on the number of officers who usually attend.

The breakdown of costs for replying to the four questions submitted is as follows:

1 EOII - 2 hrs @ £40.02
1 C/Insp - 1 hr @ £45.95

Question 2

In relation to the above could you tell me were all officers who attended the meeting working on shift at the time or were they brought in on overtime.

Answer

The officers who attended the meeting were not brought in on overtime.

Question 3

In relation to question one if officers attending the meeting were on their normal shift what duties would they have been doing instead of attending this meeting.

Answer

Attendance at DPP meetings falls within the remit of the roles carried out by both officers who attended the meeting.

Question 4

In relation to question one were any extra officers brought in to cover for officers attending this meeting.

Answer

No additional officers were brought in to cover for officers attending this meeting.

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