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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2009-01467

Keyword: Organisational Information/Governance

Subject: GPS NAVIGATION DEVICES

Request and Answer:

Question 1

How many GPS navigation devices have been bought in each year since introduced? Subsequently clarified as follows; Please consider since 1990, and please consider devices bought by the police, lost by the police and stolen from the police. This FOI request relates to police owned equipment only.

Answer

2003	12
2004	1
2005	1
2006	21
2007	119
2008	56
2009	2

Please note that the Police Service of Northern Ireland only hold this information from 2003.

Question 2

How much have been spent on GPS navigation devices in each year since introduced? Subsequently clarified as follows; Please consider since 1990, and please consider devices bought by the police, lost by the police and stolen from the police. This FOI request relates to police owned equipment only.

Answer

2003	£ 1740.00
2004	£ 100.00
2005	£ 152.00
2006	£ 4881.84
2007	£ 24819.00
2008	£ 12552.82
2009	£ 239.00

Please note that the Police Service of Northern Ireland only hold this information from 2003.

Question 3

How many GPS navigation devices have been lost in each year since introduced? Subsequently clarified as follows; Please consider since 1990, and please consider devices bought by the police, lost by the police and stolen from the police. This FOI request relates to police owned equipment only.

Answer

None

Question 4

How many GPS navigation devices have been stolen in each year since introduced? Subsequently clarified as follows; Please consider since 1990, and please consider devices bought by the police, lost by the police and stolen from the police. This FOI request relates to police owned equipment only.

Answer

None

Please note that in addition to the devices outlined above, the PSNI also hold 2 fixed and 3 hand held Marine GPS Navigation Devices. One fixed device came as standard specification with a boat and the second fixed device was purchased. The purchased device cost approximately £800. The 3 hand held devices cost £300.

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