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## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



**Request Number:** F-2010-02086

**Keyword:** Crime

**Subject:** Policing Parades, Sexual Abuse & Incidents at Schools

### Request and 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.

### Question 1

I would be very grateful if you could supply me with the following information:

The total cost of policing parades which passed-by the Ardoyne shopfronts on July 12, 2010. The estimated cost for 13 July, 2009 would also be helpful.

Clarification: I require information about July 13, 2010.

### Answer

The total cost of policing the parades at Ardoyne on July 12, 2010, not just the rioting afterwards is £168,693.

The estimated cost for July 13, 2010 is £85,754.42.

These figures are solely for policing costs on July 12, 2010 and July 13, 2010. It does not incorporate the costs for the full period of disturbances (July 11, 2010 –July 14, 2010) and any associated costs.

### Question 1 a)

The estimated cost of damage to police vehicles, uniform and equipment during these periods would also be useful.

### Answer

The estimated cost of damage to equipment and uniform for July 12, 2010 is approximately £15,421.91 and £435.88 for July 13, 2010. However, the full cost of all damages has not yet been determined and work on damaged vehicles is still ongoing by Transport Services.

### Question 2

The number of police officers from other forces used to police marches over July 12, 2010 (such as from Scottish police forces.)

**Answer**

Officers from other forces were not involved in policing the parades over this period.

**Question 3**

The number of cases of sexual abuse against under 16s reported to police during the periods April 09-April 10, April 08-April 09 and April 07-April 08.

**Answer**

Please see the table below detailing recorded sexual abuse offences against under 16 year olds for the periods 07/08, 08/09 and 09/10.

**Question 4**

The number of times police have been called to schools to deal with incidents involving pupils during the periods April 09-10 and April 08-April 09.

**Answer**

Please see the table below detailing recorded offences at schools by a person under 18 yrs old for the periods 08/09 and 09/10.

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 letter.

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](mailto: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 PSNI replies under Freedom of Information may be released into the public domain via our website @ [www.psni.police.uk](http://www.psni.police.uk)

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

## Recorded sexual abuse<sup>1</sup> offences by victim age

### Northern Ireland

	Under 16 Years
2007/08	685
2008/09	837
2009/10	800

Source: Central Statistics Unit, PSNI

<sup>1</sup> The sexual abuse offences included in these figures are Rape (including attempts), sexual assault and sexual activity.

## Recorded offences having a person victim aged under 18 years and locational information indicating the incident to have taken place at a school

	Recorded
2008/09	276
2009/10	280

Source: Central Statistics Unit, PSNI

**Please note:**

These figures are based on operational information taken from a live crime recording system and may be subject to change.