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## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



**Request Number:** F-2010-02898

**Keyword:** Finance

**Subject:** Breakdown of Catering Costs for 12<sup>th</sup> July

### 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 and the answer to your questions are as follows:

#### Question 1

In FOI reply F-2010-02516 the PSNI stated that £67,000 was spent on meals for Officers, can you provide me with a full breakdown of the costs i.e. how many meals were provided / how many meals weren't used / what did the meals consist of?

#### Answer

Approximately £69k was spent on Operational Catering, providing 5484 meals for the PSNI **as a whole** over the period. It is difficult to determine with complete certainty if all these costs were attributable to Ardoyne as there were other events ongoing at this time.

Please note that this figure may vary slightly from the previous request.

The Police Service of Northern Ireland does not hold information on the number of unused meals.

Please see the table below in relation to the contents of the meals.

#### Question 2

Did Officers on Duty receive more than one meal on the day?

#### Answer

Searches were conducted however these searches failed to locate any records or documents relevant to your request at question 2. Accordingly, I have determined that the Police Service of Northern Ireland does not hold information on how many meals each officer received per day.

Please note, the number of meals an officer may be entitled to depend on the length of the shift, whether they are away from their normal place of duty, whether they are retained on duty or where operational catering is being provided. An officer may be entitled to claim for breakfast, lunch or dinner separately, or a combination of meals, or all of the meals dependent on operational

circumstances. Three meals may be claimed per 24 hour period.

### **Question 3**

Was the meals provided in-house or was it outsourced and if so was it put out to public tender?

### **Answer**

The PSNI Catering Service is outsourced and it was subject to Public Tender.

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.

# OPERATIONAL CATERING MEALS - CONTENTS

<b>(a)</b>	<b><u>Sit Down Breakfast</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 x Fruit Juice</li> <li>1 x Cereal and ½ Pint of Milk</li> <li>1 x Sausage</li> <li>2 x Bacon (Back)</li> <li>1 x Egg</li> <li>1 x Potato Bread</li> <li>½ x Soda Bread</li> <li>2 x Toast and Butter</li> <li>Tea or Coffee</li> </ul>
<b>(b)</b>	<b><u>Sit Down Lunch</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 x Simple Starter</li> <li>1x Main Meal or Snack Meal</li> <li>1 x Dessert or</li> <li>1 x Biscuit (individual size packet of biscuits) or</li> <li>1 x Item of Fruit</li> <li>1 x Hot Beverage</li> <li>1 x ½ Pint Carton of Milk or</li> <li>1 x Soft Drink (330ml can) or</li> <li>1 x Bottled Water (500ml)</li> <li>1 x Slice of Bread and 1 x PC Butter</li> </ul>
<b>(c)</b>	<b><u>Sit Down Tea</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 x Simple Starter</li> <li>1x Main Meal or Snack Meal</li> <li>1 x Dessert or</li> <li>1 x Biscuit (individual size packet of biscuits) or</li> <li>1 x Item of Fruit</li> <li>1 x Hot Beverage</li> <li>1 x ½ Pint Carton of Milk or</li> <li>1 x Soft Drink (330ml can) or</li> <li>1 x Bottled Water (500ml)</li> <li>1 x Slice of Bread and 1 x PC Butter</li> </ul>
<b>(d)</b>	<b><u>Perishable Snack Pack</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 x Round of Sandwiches</li> <li>1 x Packet of PC Biscuits</li> <li>1 x Packet of Crisps</li> <li>1 x Can of Mineral</li> <li>1 x Piece of Fruit</li> <li>(+ sundries)**</li> </ul>
<b>(e)</b>	<b><u>Perishable Breakfast Pack</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 x Individual Carton of Cereal</li> <li>1 x Carton of Milk (½ Pint)</li> <li>1 x Bottled Water (500ml)</li> <li>1 x Bacon Roll</li> <li>1 x Croissant (with PC Jam and Butter)</li> <li>1 x Banana</li> <li>1 x Fresh Orange Juice</li> <li>1 x Carton of Yoghurt</li> <li>1 x Portion of Orange and Grapefruit Segments</li> <li>(+ sundries)**</li> </ul>
<b>(f)</b>	<b><u>Perishable Main Meal Pack 'A'</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 x Fruit Juice</li> <li>1 x Round of Sandwiches</li> <li>1 x Jumbo Filled Roll</li> <li>1 x Dessert</li> <li>2 x Bottled Water (500ml)</li> <li>1 x Piece of Fruit</li> <li>1 x Energy Bar</li> <li>1 x Bottle of Hydration Drink</li> <li>1 x Portion of Cake</li> <li>1 x Packet of Crisps</li> <li>(+ sundries)**</li> </ul>

<b>(g)</b>	<b><u>Perishable Main Meal Pack 'B'</u></b>	1 x Fruit Juice 1 x Salad (to include Cooked Meat, 2 x Salad Portions, 1 x Mayonnaise, 3 x Cherry Tomatoes, Lettuce) 2 x Wheaten Bread and Butter 1 x Dessert 2 x Bottle Water (500ml) 1 x Piece of Fruit 1 x Energy Bar 1 x Bottle of Hydration Drink 1 x Portion of Cake 1 x Packet of Crisps (+ sundries)**
<b>(h)</b>	<b><u>Perishable Double Meal Pack 'A'</u></b>	2 x Fruit Juice 1 x Ambient Meal (300g Self Heating Hot Pack) 1x Jumbo Roll 1 x Butter 1 x Ambient Dessert 1 x Round of Sandwiches 1 x Jumbo Filled Roll 1 x Dessert 3 x Bottled Water (500ml) 1 x Piece of Fruit 1 x Energy Bar 1 x Bottle of Hydration Drink 1 x Portion of Cake 1 x Packet of Crisps (+ sundries)**
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<b>(j)</b>	<b><u>Ambient Snack Pack</u></b>	1 x Jumbo Roll with Banana 1 x Energy Bar 1 x Bottled Water (500ml) 1 x Packet of Crisps (+ sundries)**

<b>(k)</b>	<b><u>Ambient Main Meal Pack</u></b>	1 x Fruit Juice 1 x Ambient Meal (300g Self Heating Hot Pack) 1 x Jumbo Roll 1 x Butter 1 x Ambient Dessert 2 x Bottled Water (500ml) 1 x Piece of Fruit 1 x Energy Bar 1 x Bottle of Hydration Drink 1 x Portion of Cake 1 x Packet of Crisps (+ sundries)**
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<b>(m)</b>	<b><u>24 Hour Survival Pack</u></b>	Juice Drink Cereal ½ Pint of Milk Breakfast Bar Banana PowerAde Pastry Packet of Crisps Water Smoothie Main Meal Roll & Butter Ambient Dessert Juice Drink Crackers and Filling Bar Water Ambient Meal Bread Roll & Butter Chocolate Bar 4oz Boiled Sweets Tea & Coffee Pack Disposables for the Day 8 Purification Tablets

**Note:** (+ sundries)\*\* Each Main Meal should also include: 2 x PC Coffee; 2 x Tagged Teabags; 4 x UHT Milk; 4 x PC Sugar; 1 x Knife, Fork, Spoon, Napkin, Salt, Pepper Pack