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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2010-03233
Keyword: Operational Policing
Subject: Anti-Social Behaviour Orders

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

How many Anti-Social Behaviour Orders (ASBOs) is the PSNI currently aware of in place in Northern Ireland? (dated 1 November 2010). Please categorise these by type/reason for which the ASBO was issued, under the categorisation used by the PSNI (if any).

Answer

The PSNI are aware of 46 ASBOs currently in place in Northern Ireland as on 1st November 2010. These are broken down by type only as follows;

Interim - 3
Full ASBO - 22
On Conviction - 21

Question 2

How many ASBOs have been issued, that the PSNI is aware of, in Northern Ireland between 1 November 2005 and 1 November 2010 (inclusive)? Please categorise these by type/reason for which the ASBO was issued, under the categorisation used by the PSNI (if any).

Answer

The PSNI are aware of 131 ASBOs between 1 November 2005 and 1 November 2010. These are broken down by type only as follows;

Interim - 20
Full ASBO - 48
On Conviction – 63

Question 3

Of the ASBOs currently in force, what is the current age of the youngest person against whom an ASBO is in force? What is the current age of the oldest person against whom an ASBO is in force? For both the oldest and youngest individuals, please provide the location (town/city/village) in which the individual lives, and the reason for which each ASBO was issued.

Answer

The Current age of the youngest person against whom an ASBO is in force is 16. The Current age of the oldest person against whom an ASBO is in force is 60.

When I spoke to you by phone on 9 December 2010 you indicated that you would be happy not to receive detailed information on the location in which these individuals live.

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.

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.

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