



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2011-01517

Keyword: Organisational Information/Governance

Subject: Documents Relating to the Knights of St Columbanus

Request and Answer:

Question

My request relates to the night of the 18th March 1922.

On that night, St Mary's Hall in Belfast was raided by the police and documents relating to the Knights of St Columbanus removed.

Is there any possibility that they still exist, and if so can I access them?

Answer

Searches were conducted however these searches failed to locate any records or documents relevant to your request based on the information you have provided. Accordingly, I have determined that the Police Service of Northern Ireland does not hold the information to which you seek access.

However, the Public Records Office of Northern Ireland may hold some information relevant to your request. You can make an application to access information by completing their online enquiry form at the link below;

http://www.proni.gov.uk/index/about_proni/freedom_of_information/proni_enquiry_form.htm

Alternatively, you can write to them at the following address;

Public Record Office of Northern Ireland
2 Titanic Boulevard
Titanic Quarter
Belfast
BT3 9HQ

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.

Please be advised that PSNI replies under Freedom of Information may be released into the public domain via our website @ www.psni.police.uk

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