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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2011-00244
Keyword: Road Policing
Subject: Speed Cameras

Request and Answer:

This is to inform you that the Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI) has now completed its search for the information you requested and the answers to your questions are as follows.

Question 1

State the location of every speed camera in Northern Ireland.

Answer

Your request for information in question 1 has now been considered and I am not obliged to supply the information you have requested.

Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires the Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI), when refusing to provide such information (because the information is exempt) to provide the applicant with a notice which:

- (a) states the fact,
- (b) specifies the exemption in question and
- (c) states (if that would not otherwise be apparent) why the exemption applies.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 it has been decided to refuse access to the information you have requested.

Section 21 - Information Reasonably Accessible by Other Means - provides that information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means is exempt information.

Information with regard to speed cameras can be viewed at the link below:

http://www.psni.police.uk/index/advice-and-legislation/safety_cameras.htm

Question 2

State the number of speeding motorists detected by each of the above cameras during 2010.

Answer

The PSNI Road Policing Department have advised that the number of detections for excess speed at the Northern Ireland Safety Camera Scheme fixed camera sites in 2010 were:

Antrim Road Belfast	- 4669
Saintfield Road Belfast	- 2514
Springfield Road, Belfast	- 178
Upper Newtownards Road, Belfast	- 1342
A2 Average Speed SPECs system	- 104
Total	8807

Please Note: These figures contain detections that may subsequently be cancelled or that may turn to prosecution rather than a fixed penalty notice being issued and a fine paid.

Question 3

Provide the revenue generated by each of the above cameras during 2010.

Answer

The PSNI Safety Camera Scheme have advised that we are unable to provide separate revenue figures for each safety cameras as we do not capture figures to that level.

However we have provided for your information a total revenue figure for each quarter.

Jan – Mar	£209,843.89
Apr - June	£254,633.17
July - Sept	£144,784.41
Oct - Dec	£175,193.28

Total £784,454.75

Question 4

State which, if any, of the above were operational 24 hours a day, seven days a week during 2010 (i.e. round the clock)

Answer

Both the Average Speed and Fixed speed enforcement safety cameras were operational 24 hours a day, seven days a week except when essential maintenance work was being carried out.

With regard to the community concern sites mentioned on the website, the locations are kept under review and change frequently in response to concerns raised and therefore a definitive list is not available.

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.

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.