



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2012-02492

Keyword: Crime

Subject: Anti-Social Behaviour Prosecutions

Request and Answer:

Question

Could you please advise us the number of prosecutions for anti-social behaviour issued in the following streets for the years 2009/10, 2010/2011 and 2011/2012:

Fitzroy Avenue, Palestine Street, Cadogen Street, University Avenue, Carmel Street, Jerusalem Street, Collingwood Avenue, Agincourt Street, Rugby Avenue, Damascus Street, Harrow Street, Penrose Street, Agincourt Avenue, Cairo Street, Rugby Road and College Park Avenue.

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.

PSNI do not hold the information to which you seek access. It should be noted that there is no actual offence of Anti Social Behaviour, however the courts can impose an Anti Social Behaviour Order and the police can arrest for "Breach" of an Order. The number of anti social behaviour orders can possibly be obtained from the N.I Court Service however as this is not an offence the courts will not be able to provide prosecutions. I have provided the link below to their FOI Department:

<http://www.courtsni.gov.uk/en-GB/AboutUs/Freedom%20of%20Information/Pages/default.aspx>

However under Section 16 - duty to assist, I have provided in the table below the number of arrests for a 'breach of an ASBO', in the streets listed in your request.

Arrested for Breach of Anti-Social Behaviour Order		
Fitzroy Avenue, Palestine Street, Cadogen Street, University Avenue, Carmel Street, Jerusalem Street, Collingwood Avenue, Agincourt Street, Rugby Avenue, Damascus Street, Harrow Street, Penrose Street, Agincourt Avenue, Cairo Street, Rugby Road and College Park Avenue.		
2009/2010	2010/2011	2011/2012
0	4	0

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