



## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



**Request Number:** F-2012-01021

**Keyword:** Organisational Information/Governance

**Subject:** Community Safety Accreditation Scheme

### 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

I would like to know whether your police authority has established a Community Safety Accreditation Scheme (CSAS)?

If not, do you plan to establish such a scheme in the near future?

### Question

If your force has established a CSAS, I would like to know -

How many 'Accredited Persons' have been granted powers under your Community Safety Accreditation Scheme (CSAS)?

### Question

How many organisations are in your force's CSAS? Please give details of these organisations (their name; and whether they are a public or private company).

### Question

Please provide details of the powers the Accredited Persons have been granted.

### Question

Please provide details on how these Accredited Persons (AP) have used their powers. I would like statistics of any fixed penalty notices (FPN) or penalty notices for disorder (PND) issued by APs. If possible, I would also like information about other recorded incidents of the use of powers, such as alcohol confiscation.

### Answer

The PSNI has not established a Community Safety Accreditation Scheme (CSAS) and at present there are no plans for the scheme.

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.

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