



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2012-03390

Keyword: Organisational Information/Governance

Subject: HET Investigating Officers

Request and Answer:

Question

Re: HET Investigating officers

We refer to the above matter and would be grateful if you would confirm:

1. How many officers of investigation rank are male?
2. How many officers of investigation rank are female?
3. How many officers of senior investigation rank or above, are male?
4. How many officers of senior investigation rank or above, are female?
5. What is the male/female breakdown in each of the nine review teams?

We look forward to receiving this information in line with the Freedom of Information Act within the statutory response time.

Answer

The PSNI would like to point out that any information released under FOI, is publicly released to the world, not just to the individual requesting the information. At the end of this response, you will find that the PSNI also advise that replies under FOI can be released into the public domain via our website @ www.psni.police.uk. For this reason, I will have removed any reference you have made to personal details, where applicable, to protect confidentiality.

The PSNI has considered your request and it has been decided to provide the information you have requested.

1. There are currently 52 males in investigation roles in the HET.
2. There are currently 4 females in investigation roles in the HET.
3. There are currently 41 males in senior investigation roles and above in the HET.
4. There is currently 1 female in senior investigation roles and above in the HET.
5. The current male/female breakdown in each of the nine review teams is as follows:

TEAM	MALES	FEMALES
PURPLE 1	9	0
PURPLE 2	6	0
PURPLE 3	9	0

PURPLE 4	4	0
RED 1	7	0
RED 2	4	1
RED 3	8	0
RED 4	7	0
WHITE	9	0

Please note that the numbers of male and female investigators in the teams, do not correspond with the numbers stated in response to questions 1 – 4 due to some personnel performing support services roles.

If you have any queries regarding your request or this 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.

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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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