



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2012-02669

Keyword: Road Policing

Subject: Collision Investigation Records and Traffic Management

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 1

I wish to obtain some information concerning three areas of work undertaken by the Police, in particular, staff levels and costs please?

How many Police or Staff work as Collision Investigators?

Answer

The PSNI have a total of 12 Police Collision Investigators.

Question 2

What are the whole wage costs to your organisation of each member of Police or staff?

Answer

The annual salary costs of Police Collision Investigators in PSNI are £693,067.

Question 3

How many Police or Staff work in Collision / Accident Records?

Answer

PSNI do not have a Department for collision /accident records.

However I can advise that PSNI have a Statistics Department whose staff work solely on the day to day management of collision/accident records. PSNI also has an Occurrence and Case Management Team (OCMT) who have staff who input Crime Recording Forms (CRF's) and process subsequent correspondence from solicitors etc.

In Statistics Branch, they have a total of 4 staff for processing RTC records and in OCMT they have a total of 22 staff to process CRF's and subsequent correspondence.

Question 4

What are the whole wage costs to your organisation of each member of Police or staff?

Answer

The annual salary costs of staff in Statistics and OCMT is £620,036.00.

Please note the response to questions 3 and 4 only refers to the staff numbers and annual salary for staff involved in the process of RTC records in both Statistics and OCMT. It does not include staff in these establishments who are not performing these duties.

Question 5

How many Police or Staff work as Traffic Management Officers?

Answer

The PSNI have a total of 7 staff who work as Traffic Management Officers.

Question 6

What are the whole wage costs to your organisation of each member of Police or staff?

Answer

The annual salary costs of Traffic Management Officers in PSNI are £268,664.

Question 7

How many fatal collisions have there been each year over the last 5 years?

Answer

The information you have requested is available from the PSNI Publication Scheme and can be accessed using the following link:

http://www.psni.police.uk/index/updates/updates_statistics/updates_road_traffic_statistics.htm

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.

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