



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2014-05284

Keyword: Crime

Subject: Fancy Dress Crimes in the Last Five Years

Request and Answer:

Question

Provide a breakdown of all incidents reported to the PSNI which involved fancy dress or costume in the last five years. Please include the date, a description of the costume/fancy dress and the incident alleged to have occurred.

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.

Please find the requested breakdown of incidents relating to 'Fancy Dress' during the five years 1st November 2009 to 31st October 2014 attached. The incidents listed were identified where the words 'fancy dress' appeared in the call for service.

Incidents such as notification to police of fancy dress parades were excluded.

This information is based on data extracted from a live system and may be subject to change. It is dependent on the information having been input into the system in such a way as to identify those records that are relevant.

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.

Incidents relating to Fancy Dress during the five years 1st November 2009 to 31st October 2014

Date of Call	Description of the Costume / Fancy dress	Nature of Alleged Incident
01/11/09	Newcastle Brown Ale Bottle	Burglary
10/10/10	Description Not Given	No Sign of Persons
11/10/10	Description Not Given	Highway Disruption - Advertisement Activity
31/10/10	Military Uniform	Verbal Argument, No Offences Committed
31/10/10	Baby Grow	Drink taken, No Injuries
19/09/11	Group / Description Not Given	Concern for Safety - Advertisement Activity
22/10/11	Group / Description Not Given	Anti-Social Behaviour, Youths Playing Prank
27/10/11	Group / Description Not Given	Anti-Social Behaviour, Youths Causing Annoyance
29/10/11	Police Uniform	Criminal Damage
30/10/11	Description Not Given	Concern for Safety
30/10/11	Army Uniform	Possession of Drugs
01/11/11	Group / Description Not Given	Anti-Social Behaviour
01/11/11	Group / Description Not Given	Concern for Safety, No Signs of Persons
01/11/11	Group / Description Not Given	Anti-Social Behaviour
14/03/12	Group / Description Not Given	Concern for Safety
27/07/12	Description Not Given	Reported for Information Only
03/08/12	Fig Leaf	Indecent Exposure
12/09/12	Bandaged	Indecent Behaviour
29/09/12	Description Not Given	Verbal Altercation

25/10/12	Group / Description Not Given	Anti-Social Behaviour
28/10/12	Group / Description Not Given	Damage Only Collision
28/10/12	Description Not Given	Concern for Safety
21/12/12	Queen Mask	Anti-Social Behaviour
06/04/13	Group / One in Lion Costume	Anti-Social Behaviour, No Signs of Persons
10/05/13	Charity Collector	Police Attended, Nothing Suspicious
27/10/13	Fancy Dress reported in Error	Indecent Exposure