



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2014-03429

Keyword: Organisational Information/Governance

Subject: Police Dogs Injured Or Killed

Request and Answer:

Question

Can you please provide me with information from 2012 to present regarding how many police dogs have been injured or killed during, or as a result of, active service with police?

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.

PSNI has had 1 dog injured during duty.

Question

What the cause of the injury and/or fatality was, where it occurred and when the injury and/or resulting occurred?

Answer

The dog's paw was injured during riots on August 9, 2013 in Royal Avenue, Belfast.

Question

What happened to injured or dead police dogs and the cost to the police service?

Answer

The injured dog was treated by the emergency out of hours vet and the total cost for all the treatment was £844.86.

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