



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2015-00511

Keyword: Crime

Subject: Stolen Cattle / Agricultural Goods F District Oct 2014 - Jan 2015

Request and Answer:

Question 1

In 'F' district, how many cattle were reported stolen in Omagh; Fermanagh; Cookstown and Dungannon and South Tyrone respectively between October 2014 and January 2015 inclusive?

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 below the number of cattle reported stolen, for the areas requested, between October 2014 and January 2015 inclusive.

Policing Area	Number of Cattle Reported Stolen
Cookstown	0
Dungannon & South Tyrone	36
Fermanagh	1
Omagh	3

Question 2

How many people have been arrested and convicted in that period?

Answer

There have been no arrests and no convictions in that period in relation to these reported thefts of cattle.

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

Question 3

Breakdown of this information by the type/breed of cattle stolen.

Answer

Please note that the type / breed of cattle is not information that is recorded for each incident but a breakdown of the ones that are recorded are shown in the table below.

Policing Area	Breed of Cattle Stolen
Cookstown	None
Dungannon & South Tyrone	20 – Mixture of Charolais and Limousin 3 – Freesian
Fermanagh	1 - Ayrshire
Omagh	1 - Charolais 1 - Freesian

Question 4

In 'F' district, how many incidents of agricultural machinery theft were reported in Fermanagh; Omagh, Cookstown and Dungannon & South Tyrone respectively between: October 2014 and January 2015.

Answer

Please find below the number of reported incidents of the theft of agricultural machinery or related items, for the areas requested, between October 2014 and January 2015 inclusive.

Policing Area	Reported Incidents of Agricultural Theft
Cookstown	6
Dungannon & South Tyrone	9
Fermanagh	6
Omagh	3

Question 5

Break this information down by Type/Category of agricultural machinery?

Answer

Please find attached at the end of this document a breakdown of the types of agricultural machinery and related items.

Please note: For each reported incident, more than one item or piece of machinery may have been stolen. This is why there are a greater number of items stolen than there are reported incidents of agricultural theft.

Question 6

What resources have the PSNI allocated to tackle this problem in 'F' District?

Answer

The PSNI currently have two Inspectors across F District along with a Constable who investigates all reports of livestock theft. There is also one Detective Constable who is responsible for all reports of agricultural crime involving an organised crime perspective. This is in addition to daily proactive patrolling within the District along with targeted operations.

Question 7

How many people have been arrested and or convicted in this period?

Answer

There have been no arrests and no convictions in that period in relation to these reported thefts of agricultural machinery but there was one discretionary disposal issued in this period.

Agricultural crime covers burglary, robbery and theft offences where the property or vehicles stolen have an agricultural link (eg farm equipment, agricultural vehicles, livestock) or where the location was agricultural (eg farm, farmhouse). This information is identified from both drop down pick lists and free text searches using key agricultural-related words.

Property and vehicle details have then been linked to the crimes identified as agricultural and records have been included where property has been classified as stolen and the property details indicates cattle, or where property/vehicles have been classified as stolen and the details indicate machinery or tools, vehicle other than a car or other articles that may be relevant.

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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.

District	Area	property_description1	property_description2
F District	Cookstown	Agricultural vehicle	Agricultural machine
F District	Cookstown	Other article	
F District	Cookstown	Plant equipment	Construction vehicle
F District	Cookstown	Agricultural vehicle	Agricultural machine
F District	Cookstown	Machinery or tools	
F District	Cookstown	Machinery or tools	
F District	Cookstown	Machinery or tools	
F District	Cookstown	Machinery or tools	
F District	Cookstown	Machinery or tools	
F District	Cookstown	Machinery or tools	
F District	Cookstown	Machinery or tools	
F District	Cookstown	Agricultural vehicle	Agricultural tractor
F District	Cookstown	Machinery or tools	Chain saw
F District	Cookstown	Machinery or tools	Farm equipment
F District	Dungannon & South Tyrone	Machinery or tools	
F District	Dungannon & South Tyrone	Machinery or tools	
F District	Dungannon & South Tyrone	Machinery or tools	Other machinery/tool
F District	Dungannon & South Tyrone	Machinery or tools	
F District	Dungannon & South Tyrone	Agricultural vehicle	Heavy tractor
F District	Dungannon & South Tyrone	Agricultural vehicle	Heavy tractor
F District	Dungannon & South Tyrone	Machinery or tools	Other machinery/tool
F District	Dungannon & South Tyrone	Machinery or tools	Other machinery/tool
F District	Dungannon & South Tyrone	Machinery or tools	Other machinery/tool
F District	Dungannon & South Tyrone	Other article	
F District	Dungannon & South Tyrone	Vehicle accessory	Other accessory
F District	Dungannon & South Tyrone	Other article	
F District	Dungannon & South Tyrone	Machinery or tools	Farm equipment
F District	Fermanagh	Machinery or tools	Chain saw
F District	Fermanagh	Trailer	Livestock trailer
F District	Fermanagh	Machinery or tools	Compressor equipment
F District	Fermanagh	Machinery or tools	Hand tool
F District	Fermanagh	Machinery or tools	Power washer
F District	Fermanagh	Other article	Other
F District	Fermanagh	Other article	
F District	Fermanagh	Other article	
F District	Fermanagh	Machinery or tools	Pump - motor drive
F District	Fermanagh	Machinery or tools	Chain saw
F District	Omagh	Agricultural vehicle	Agricultural tractor
F District	Omagh	Agricultural vehicle	Agricultural tractor
F District	Omagh	Trailer	
F District	Omagh	Agricultural vehicle	Agricultural tractor
F District	Omagh	Agricultural vehicle	Agricultural tractor
F District	Omagh	Agricultural vehicle	Agricultural machine