



## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



**Request Number:** F-2015-00091

**Keyword:** Crime

**Subject:** Theft of Defibrillators

### Request and Answer:

#### Question 1

How many defibrillators have been reported stolen. Please tell me from where they were reported stolen (eg, Faketown Hospital, Greenham Village Hall).

#### 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.

There were a total of 4 defibrillators identified as stolen during 2012, none during 2013 and a total of 3 during 2014.

Four were stolen from medical locations – Healthcare Park, Hospital and from a St Johns Ambulance.

One was stolen from a dwelling hallway in Dublin Road, Belfast and two from a street/road in Newtownards and Belfast .

#### Question 2

How many people were arrested and charged with stealing defibrillator(s).

#### Answer

One person was arrested in connection with the theft of a defibrillator. No persons have been charged.

#### Question 3

How many defibrillators were recovered by the police.

#### Answer

No defibrillators are identified as having been recovered by the police.

Please note as defibrillator is not listed as a specific property description on the recording system, this response is based on property classified as 'stolen' where the property make, model, common

name or remarks contains the text 'defib'.

Please note: This information is based on data extracted from a live recording 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](mailto: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.