



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2015-02857

Keyword: Organisational Information/Governance

Subject: Uniform Alterations

Request and Answer:

Question

Would it be possible to obtain information from the PSNI's contract with the new uniform supplier, Cooneen? In particular I am interested in how many alterations have been carried out by them since the start of their contract on 1st July 2014 and at what cost.

Answer

This is to inform you that the Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI) has now completed its search for the information you requested. The decision has been taken to disclose the located information to you in full.

Whilst Cooneen supply all uniforms to the PSNI, the only alterations they carry out are on uniforms supplied to student officers. Cooneen are contracted to carry out alterations to trouser lengths and tunic sleeves on student officers uniforms. The total number of these alterations to date is 840. As this is part of the contract there is no additional cost for these alterations.

Cooneen do not carry out alterations on established officers uniforms as there is no provision in the contract to do so.

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.