



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2015-01745

Keyword: Organisational Information/Governance

Subject: IT and Telecommunication Equipment Disposal Process

Request and Answer:

Question 1

Under the terms of the freedom of information act can I respectfully request the following information in regard to your IT and Telecommunication equipment disposal process. Who is ultimately responsible for data protection within your organisation?

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. The Chief Constable is ultimately responsible for data protection within PSNI.

Question 2

Do they have oversight of the IT asset disposal process?

Answer

No.

Question 3

Is this person aware of the ADISA Industry Standard?

Answer

Yes.

Question 4

Is this person aware of the Information Commissioner's Guidance notes for IT Asset Disposal?

Answer

Yes.

Question 5

Do you currently have an IT asset disposal policy?

Answer

Yes.

Question 6

Within that policy do you stipulate what process should be applied to each media type to sanitise the data on them?

Answer

Yes. All media is shredded on site.

Question 7

Do you use a specialist third party IT Asset Disposal Company for all or part of the process?

Answer

Yes.

Question 8

What is the name of that partner?

Answer

Asset Management Ireland.

Question 9

Do you have a contract in place with this company?

Answer

No. The contact for disposal is with our managed service supplier.

Question 10

When did you last audit this company?

Answer

This is not necessary as all media is shredded on site.

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.