

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2015-01758

Keyword: Organisational Information/Governance

Subject: Payments Paid For Rewards From 1 April 2013 - April 2015

Request and Answer:

Question 1

Could you please detail how much the force has paid out in total in rewards for information in relation to criminal investigations from April 1st 2013 to April 2015?

Question 2

For payments over £2,000, could you please specify the month and year the payment was made to a member of the public, the amount paid and which investigation it was in relation to, where possible?

Question 3

So for cases which have been successfully closed could you specify who was convicted/caught and what crime was being investigated?

Question 4

Where cases have not been closed but payments have been made, could you give a general description of why the payment has been made and for what type of crime.

Answer

Searches were conducted however these searches failed to locate any records or documents relevant to your request based on the information you have provided. Accordingly, I have determined that the Police Service of Northern Ireland does not hold the information to which you seek access.

The PSNI does not pay out rewards. The reward itself is generally offered by the family or an outside body.

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.