



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2018-00066

Keyword: Road Policing

Subject: Fixed Penalty Notices Issued

Request and Answer:

Your request for information has now been considered. In respect of Section 1(1)(a) of the Act I can confirm that the Police Service of Northern Ireland does hold information to which your request relates. The decision has been taken to disclose the following.

Request 1

The number of Fixed Penalty Notices issued to offenders for using a mobile phone while driving (endorsement code CU80) in your force area in 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018 to date, broken down by month.

Answer

See table below

	2015	2016	2017	2018*
January	462	423	303	249
February	494	465	360	30
March	569	537	368	
April	491	467	340	
May	481	403	378	
June	494	428	353	
July	441	396	340	
August	410	352	318	
September	532	413	285	
October	485	379	303	
November	395	465	336	
December	405	275	231	
Total	5,659	5,003	3,915	279
*Up to 28th February 2018				

Request 2

The total amount of money (£) in fines issued to offenders for using a mobile phone while driving (endorsement code CU80) in your force area in 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018 to date.

Answer

Each Fixed Penalty Notice issued for using hand held mobile phone carries a penalty of 3 points and £60 fine, therefore the amount of money in fines was as follows –

2015 – 5659 x £60 = £339,540

2016 – 5003 x £60 = £300,180

2017 – 3915 x £60 = £234,900

2018* – 279 x £60 = £16,740

Figures are provisional and subject to change.

* Up to 28th Feb 2018

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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