

Keeping People Safe



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2021-02835

Keyword: Road Policing

Subject: Fixed Penalty Notices

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 total number of fixed penalty notices that have been issued for speeding by the PSNI in this area (Old Coach Road) by year from 2011 - 2021 inclusive?

Answer

Please see attached spreadsheet for breakdown of figures

Request 2

The details of any risk or impact assessment conducted by the PSNI?

Answer

PSNI are aware of the speeding complaints arising from local residents in this area. A site visit was conducted with police and the local Department for Infrastructure (DfI) Roads Senior Traffic Engineer in late 2019 which resulted in an extension of the 30mph limit, red friction road surfacing to be applied and enhanced signing which was all provided by DfI.

Additionally PSNI and the NI Road Safety Partnership van has enforced and continues to enforce the speed limit at this location.

Request 3

Other traffic calming or speed prevention measures considered?

Answer

Speed ramps were discounted as a suitable measure for this type of road. Recently police have agreed to a DfI proposal to introduce a 40mph limit in advance of the 30mph zone, in an effort to moderate traffic speeds. This would be similar to the treatment applied in Parkgate village.

Request 4

The details of any consultation with local residents or public representatives?

Answer

The local Police Community Safety Partnership (PCSP) purchased and placed a Speed Indicator Device to monitor traffic speeds, which revealed a pattern of excess speed. The results of which were shared with the local elected representatives and MP for the area.

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 Corporate Information Branch, please quote the reference number listed at the beginning of this letter.

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