

Keeping People Safe



## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



**Request Number:** F-2020-00654

**Keyword:** Organisational Information/Governance

**Subject:** Castledearg PSNI Station

### Request and Answer:

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

#### Request 1

The total cost per year for maintaining the former PSNI station at Castledearg for the last ten years.

#### Answer

The total cost over the last 10 years for maintaining the station at Castledearg is £58,145.46. This is an average of £5,815 per year.

#### Request 2

Future plans for use of the former PSNI station at Castledearg since it was taken off the market.

#### Answer

There are no specific plans at present. However, the PSNI has a responsibility to keep people safe and we constantly review our resources to ensure that we are best equipped to do this.

Given the uncertainty around EU Exit, we have reviewed the decisions previously made about stations identified for disposal.

Therefore, we have paused the disposal of three stations in border areas, namely Warrenpoint, Castledearg and Aughnacloy. This will be kept under review.

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.

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 Corporate Information Branch, PSNI Headquarters, 65 Knock Road, Belfast, BT5 6LE or by emailing [foi@psni.pnn.police.uk](mailto:foi@psni.pnn.police.uk).

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Personal details in respect of your request have, where applicable, been removed to protect confidentiality.