



## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



**Request Number:** F-2020-01489

**Keyword:** Human Resources

**Subject:** Police 1810 Recruitment Campaign

### 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

In the 1810 Recruitment campaign the PCA pass time was increased from 3 min 54 sec to 4 mins 30 secs. This meant that candidates who had failed the PCA and were disqualified from the recruitment campaign were now reinstated and progressed to the medical stage.

For those candidates who have now been progressed because of the time change will they still be appointed in merit list order or will candidates who passed in the original time be appointed first?

#### Answer

In order to be appointable, candidates are required to have successfully completed PCA, Medical Assessment, SMT, Vetting and Online Learning. We have a number of courses planned from September 2020 onwards and candidates who have successfully completed all recruitment stages will continue to be offered appointment in merit order.

#### Request 2

Can you please state the next planned intakes in the student officer training programme after September 2020?

#### Answer

We are planning a further 5 Student Officer training courses up to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 with the next course, after September, planned to commence in November 2020.

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).

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.