

Keeping People Safe



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2021-02432

Keyword: Operational Policing

Subject: Road Accidents in December (2016-2020)

Request and Answer:

Request

Number and type of accident on all roads in the UK, in the month of December, shown by road name, and city/town, for the last five years from 2016 – 2020.

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 not hold information in relation to your request. Enquiries made in relation to your request failed to locate any records or documents relevant to your request based on the information you have provided. We can, however, provide refinement as outlined below.

Advice and Assistance

Under Section 16 of the FOIA PSNI will always try to assist you to refine your request and provide advice where we can. The PSNI does not hold Road Traffic Collision (RTC) data for all roads in the UK, only for roads in Northern Ireland. The PSNI Statistics Department collects data on collisions where an injury was involved and the RTC was reported to Police, however the department does not collect data on damage only collisions. If you wish to refine your request regarding the information we do hold in relation to RTCs, we would be happy to assist.

Submission of a refined request would be treated as a new request, and considered in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, including consideration of relevant Part II exemptions.

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.

If, following an Internal Review carried out by an independent decision maker, you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you may make a complaint to the Information Commissioner's Office, under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act, 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', or use the ICO self-service portal available at www.ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/officialinformation-concerns-report/official-information-concern/

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 their discretion.

Please be advised that PSNI replies under Freedom of Information may be released into the public domain via our website @ www.psni.police.uk

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