



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: FOI-2022-02954

Keyword: Crime/Incident Statistics Arrests/Detainees/Outcomes

Subject: Homes for Ukraine Scheme & Police Authorities

Request and Answer:

Request

Please provide all data between the start of the Homes for Ukraine scheme and November 11 2022. All Hosts only (British nationals), Guests only (Ukrainian refugees), Notes and additional information

Request 1

Please state the number of individuals reported to your police authority that are participants in the Homes for Ukraine scheme, in total but also if possible broken down into hosts and guests (IF THERE ARE TOO FEW PEOPLE TO LIST UNDER SECTION 40 OF THE FOI ACT, PLEASE STATE AS SUCH IN NOTES & ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, AND ADD THE WORD 'YES' IN CELLS B, C OR D IF THE FOLLOWING HAS OCCURED AT LEAST ONCE IN YOUR AUTHORITY)

Request 2

Please state the number of individuals arrested within your police authority that are participants in the Homes for Ukraine scheme, in total but also if possible broken down into hosts and guests (IF THERE ARE TOO FEW PEOPLE TO LIST UNDER SECTION 40 OF THE FOI ACT, PLEASE STATE AS SUCH IN NOTES & ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, AND ADD THE WORD 'YES' IN CELLS B, C OR D IF THE FOLLOWING HAS OCCURED AT LEAST ONCE IN YOUR AUTHORITY)

Request 3

Please enter the number of individuals in cells B, C or D that have been reported to you in relation to the Homes for Ukraine scheme for any of the following reasons, in total but also if possible broken down into hosts and guests : (IF THERE ARE TOO FEW PEOPLE TO LIST UNDER SECTION 40 OF THE FOI ACT, PLEASE STATE AS SUCH IN NOTES & ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, AND ADD THE WORD 'YES' IN CELLS B, C OR D IF THE FOLLOWING HAS OCCURED AT LEAST ONCE IN YOUR AUTHORITY)

- 3a) Physical abuse
- 3b) Emotional abuse
- 3c) Theft
- 3d) Sexual assault
- 3e) Other - please detail
- 3f) Sexual assault/sexual misconduct involving a minor

Request 4

Please enter the number of individuals that have been arrested in relation to the Homes for Ukraine scheme for any of the following reasons, in total but also if possible broken down into hosts and guests (IF THERE ARE TOO FEW PEOPLE TO LIST UNDER SECTION 40 OF THE FOI ACT, PLEASE STATE AS SUCH IN NOTES & ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, AND ADD THE WORD 'YES' IN CELLS B, C OR D IF THE FOLLOWING HAS OCCURED AT LEAST ONCE IN YOUR AUTHORITY):

- 4a) Physical abuse
- 4b) Emotional abuse
- 4c) Theft
- 4d) Sexual assault
- 4e) Other - please detail
- 4f) Sexual assault/sexual misconduct involving a minor

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 (PSNI) does not hold information in relation to your requests. 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.

The Homes for Ukraine Scheme is managed by the Department for Communities. Police are not provided with the names of all the hosts and all the guests involved in the scheme.

Should someone interact with police (as a victim or as a suspect), there is no place to record that someone is subject to the Homes for Ukraine Scheme. It may be mentioned on the Occurrence Log, but any search would be outside the allocated hours.

Our systems do not show if a member of the public interacting with police is a Host (British nationals) or a Guest (Ukrainian refugees) under the government run scheme.

Accordingly, I have determined that the Police Service of Northern Ireland does not hold the information to which you seek access.

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 Corporate Information Manager, Corporate Information Branch, PSNI Headquarters, 65 Knock Road, Belfast, BT5 6LE or by emailing foi@psni.police.uk.

If, following an Internal Review carried out by an independent decision maker, you remain unhappy about how your request has been handled you have the right to apply in writing to the Information Commissioner, under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act, at 'Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. There are a number of other platforms you can use to contact the ICO and these can be found on the ICO's website at the following link: [Make a complaint | ICO \(https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/\)](https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/).

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.