



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2022-03146

Keyword: Organisational Information Police/Staff Recruitment and Promotion

Subject: PSNI Budget and Recruitment

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. The decision has been taken to disclose the following.

Request 1

What is the current status of PSNI budget for the next financial year?

Answer

PSNI does not have any information on its 23/24 budget yet.

Request 2

When do PSNI next plan to have an intake to Garnerville for student officers?

Answer

Other than a small cohort due to commence in January 2023 (including reserve candidates from our October 2022 course), there are no further Student Officer appointments planned for the 2022/2023 financial year. At this time we are unable to confirm when we will be in a position to resume our programme of recruitment.

Request 3

When do PSNI next plan to recruit for student officers?

Answer

The timing of our next Student Officer campaign will be determined by the available budget and operational demand.

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.

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