



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST



Request Number: F-2022-03256

Keyword: Organisational Information HR Employment and Other

Subject: Stonewall Diversity Champions

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

Please advise by email whether the PSNI continues to participate in the above scheme.

If so, please advise: (a) what financial contributions the PSNI have made to Stonewall in each of the last 3 years, and (b) whether the PSNI has considered the propriety of contributing to Stonewall in light of the Equality & Human Rights Commission's withdrawal of their support.

Answer

Please see table below in relation to the financial contributions made by PSNI to Stonewall in the last three years

Year	Amount (£)
2020/21	3,000
2021/22	480
2022/23	3,000
Total	9,480

In response to the second part of your request, the Police Service of Northern Ireland work with a range of diversity groups across many equalities categories and membership of external organisations such as Stonewall is kept under review.

We are actively engaging with other diversity initiatives that offer support across all equality grounds.

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.