

# An Garda Síochána

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## Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000327-2021 Request Granted

*Dear*

I refer to your request, dated and received on 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2021 which you have made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 (FOI Act) for records held by An Garda Síochána.

Part 1(n) of Schedule 1 of the FOI Act states that An Garda Síochána is listed as a partially included agency "insofar as it relates to administrative records relating to human resources, or finance or procurement matters". Therefore, only administrative records that relate to human resources, finance or procurement shall be considered.

Your request sought:

*I was wondering if you could tell me the following information under the Freedom of information Act 2014*

- 1) The amount that An Garda Síochána spent on hiring out crowd control barriers and other crowd control equipment in the years of 2018, 2019, 2020 and to-date in 2021 in tabular form*
- 2) The names of the companies that were awarded the contract to supply crowd control barriers and other crowd control equipment to An Garda Síochána upon request in tabular form*
- 3) When will each contract with each company that supplies An Garda Síochána with crowd control barriers is scheduled to expire in tabular form*
- 4) If An Garda Síochána have ever withheld funding to any of the companies in question due to that company due to the failure to meet any of the requests that was agreed in the existing contract between that company and AGS in the years of 2018, 2019, 2020 and to-date in 2021 in tabular form*

I wish to inform you that I have decided to grant your request on 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2021.

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The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision in respect of each part of your request.

## 1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision

Upon receipt, your request was forwarded to the relevant section of An Garda Síochána where a search was conducted in respect of same and a number of records were identified.

Part 1 of your request sought “*The amount that An Garda Síochána spent on hiring out crowd control barriers and other crowd control equipment in the years of 2018, 2019, 2020 and to-date in 2021 in tabular form*”. The table below details the amounts spent for the requested years.

Year	Cost
2018	€225541.80
2019	€593151.50
2020	€441074.20
2021	€330025.00

In response to part 2 and part 3 of your request the company that was awarded the contract to supply crowd control barriers and other crowd control equipment for the years 2018 to 2021 to An Garda Síochána is Actavo Events Ireland Ltd. The contract with Actavo Events Ireland Ltd is scheduled to expire November 2021.

With regard to part 4 of your request I have been advised that An Garda Síochána have not withheld funding to the company named above in the years 2018, 2019, 2020 and to-date in 2021.

## 2. Right of Appeal

In the event that you are not happy with this decision you may seek an Internal Review of the matter by writing to the address below and quoting reference number **FOI-000327-2021**.

**Freedom of Information Office, An Garda Síochána, Athlumney House, IDA Business Park, Navan, Co. Meath, C15 ND62.**

Please note that a fee applies. This fee has been set at €30 (€10 for a Medical Card holder). Payment should be made by way of bank draft, money order, postal order or personal cheque, and made payable to Accountant, Garda Finance Directorate, Garda Headquarters, Phoenix Park, Dublin 8.

Payment can be made by electronic means, using the following details:

**Account Name:** An Garda Síochána Imprest Account

**Account Number:** 30000302

**Sort Code:** 951599

**IBAN:** IE28DABA95159930000302

**BIC:** DABAIE2D

**You must ensure that your FOI reference number FOI-000327-2021 is included in the payment details.**

You should submit your request for an Internal Review within 4 weeks from the date of this notification. The review will involve a complete reconsideration of the matter by a more senior member of An Garda Síochána and the decision will be communicated to you within 3 weeks. The making of a late appeal may be permitted in appropriate circumstances.

Please be advised that An Garda Síochána replies under Freedom of Information may be released in to the public domain via our website at [www.garda.ie](http://www.garda.ie)

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

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the above, please contact the FOI Office by telephone at (046) 9036350.

Yours sincerely,



**ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**

**PAUL BASSETT**

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER**

28 **SEPTEMBER, 2021.**