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**Ms. Laura Colgan**

## **Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000377-2017 Request Refused**

*Dear Ms. Colgan,*

I refer to your request, dated the 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2017 and received on the 4<sup>th</sup> September 2017 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:

*Details of the costs for new segways and maintenance of segways for use by members of An Garda Síochána in 2016.*

I wish to inform you that I have decided to refuse your request on the 19<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

The purpose of this letter is to explain that decision.

### **1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision**

Details of your request were provided to the Finance Section within An Garda Síochána who conducted a search for records relating to your request.

The records sought by you have been the subject of a number of previous Freedom of Information requests and the responses to these are available in our 2016 Finance Decision Log which may be accessed by following the attached link:

<http://www.garda.ie/Controller.aspx?Page=15037&Lang=1>

Table A below sets out those decisions relevant to your request, specifically FOI-000132-2016 which was a request submitted by you previously.

**Table A:-**

<b>2016 Requests</b>
FOI-000126-2016
FOI-000132-2016
FOI-000452-2016

In this regard, I am to advise you that I am refusing to release ‘*details of the costs for new segways and maintenance of segways for use by members of An Garda Síochána in 2016*’ in accordance with Section 15(1)(i) which states:

***Refusal on administrative grounds to grant FOI requests***

*15(1) A head to whom an FOI request is made may refuse to grant the request where –*

- (i) The request relates to records already released, either to the same or a previous requester where –*
  - (i) The records are available to the requester concerned*

As advised, this information was previously provided to you on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2016, (FOI 132-2016) and there are no further records of costs in relation to the costs of new segways and maintenance of segways for 2016.

## **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-000377-2017**.

***Freedom of Information Office, An Garda Síochána, Athlumney House, IDA Business Park, Johnstown, Navan, Co. Meath C15 DR90***

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:** Garda Síochána Finance Section Public Bank Account

**Account Number:** 10026896

**Sort Code:** 900017

**IBAN:** IE86B0F190001710026896

**BIC:** BOFIIIE2D

**You must ensure that your FOI reference number (FOI-000377-2017) 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 me by telephone at (046) 9036350.

Yours sincerely,

 **SUPERINTENDENT**  
**HELEN DEELY**  
**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER**

19<sup>th</sup> **SEPTEMBER 2017**