

An Garda Síochána

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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI-000256-2022 Request Granted

Dear

I refer to your request, dated and received on **8th July, 2022** 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 wish to request access to the following records under the Freedom of Information Act:

- *records containing details of all expenses, allowances and other costs paid in respect of the Garda band during 2020, 2021 and 2022 to date; to include the purpose of the payments and the number of recipients*
- *records showing details of events and engagements at which the Garda Band performed during 2020, 2021 and 2022 to date*

I wish to inform you that I have decided to grant your request on the 3rd August 2022.

The purpose of this letter is to explain my decision.

1. Findings, particulars and reasons for decision.

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

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previous requests in relation to the Garda Band (FOI-000484-2018, FOI-000333-2019 & FOI-000256-2022) I am providing the number of staff attached to the Garda Band rather the number of recipients of payments as sought in your request

The tables below provides the records sought in relation to the first part of your request.

Garda Band			
	2020	2021	2022 (Jan-June)
Salaries, Wages & Allowances	€1,932,441	€1,679,037	€856,610
Transport	€314	€1,375	€1,708
Travel & Subsistence	€7,625	€2,520	€22,146
Incidental Expenses	€7,880	0	0
Postal Services	0	0	€1,073
Communications & Other Equipment	€12,058	€16,855	0
Office Equipment & External IT Services	0	€464	0
Station Services	€7,526	€22,475	€11,019
Maintenance of Garda Premises	€112	€112	€112

	2020	2021	2022
Garda Band Staff*	29	28	27

*Staffing levels are for both Civilian & Garda Members

In regard to the second part of your request the Appendix herewith attached details the events and engagements at which the Garda Band performed during 2020, 2021 and 2022 to date. I also wish to advise that during the Covid pandemic the Garda Band adhered to all Government guidelines and performances proceeded with limited attendance of band members.

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-000256-2022**.

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-000256-2022) 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**. 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



AUGUST, 2022.

Date	Event	Nature of Event
01/01/2020	St. Raphael's Special School, Celbridge	Community Event
07/01/2020	St. Paul's JNS, Ayrfield, Dublin 13	School
08/01/2020	Our Lady's NS, St Columbanus Road, Milltown, D14	School
09/01/2020	St. George's NS, Balbriggan	School
10/01/2020	Kells Parochial NS, Kells, Co. Meath	School
14/01/2020	TAG St Mary's Glasnevin	School
15/01/2020	St Killians NS, Kingswood, Tallaght	School
21/01/2020	St Louis Senior Primary School, Rathmines	School
22/01/2020	Loreto Secondary School, Bray	School
23/01/2020	Scoil Mhuire, Sandymount	School
24/01/2020	St Kevins GNS, Kilnamanagh	School
28/01/2020	DMR East Youth Awards, Mill Centre, Dundrum	Community Event
30/01/2020	OLMC Parish Church, Firhouse.	Community Event
01/02/2020	IRFU Aviva - Ireland v Scotland	Sporting Event
05/02/2020	DMR South Youth Awards, Plaza Hotel, Tallaght	Community Event
08/02/2020	IRFU Aviva - Ireland v Wales	Sporting Event
10/02/2020	TY Work Experience Programme	School
11/02/2020	TY Work Experience Programme	School
11/02/2020	Setanta Special School visit Bandroom	School
12/02/2020	TY Work Experience Programme	School
12/02/2020	Beneavin Nursing Home, Finglas	Community Event

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13/02/2020	TY Work Experience Programme	School
14/02/2020	TY Work Experience Programme	School
14/02/2020	Swords Educate Together	School
19/02/2020	Graduation Rehearsal, Templemore	Official Garda Event
20/02/2020	Cavan/Monaghan Garda Youth Awards, Hotel Kilmore, Cavan	Official Garda Event
21/02/2020	Graduation, Templemore	Official Garda Event
26/02/2020	Colaiste Eoin, Finglas. TAG	School
29/02/2020	Blue Light Ball, Kilkenny	Community Event
04/03/2020	Funeral Mass	Official Garda Event
05/03/2020	Clonmel Concert	Community Event
06/03/2020	Rockwell, School	School
11/03/2020	Rehearsal for Dept of Justice event	Official Garda Event
11/03/2020	Police Rugby International, Donnybrook	Official Garda Event
23/03/2020	RTE Crimecall Broadcast from Bandroom	
03/04/2020	Memorial Mass	Official Garda Event
05/05/2020	Funeral Mass	Official Garda Event
13/05/2020	The Square, Garda Headquarters	Official Garda Event
16/05/2020	Garda Memorial Day Dublin Castle	Official Garda Event
21/06/2020	Funeral Mass	Official Garda Event
26/06/2020	Funeral Mass	Official Garda Event
26/06/2020	The Square, Headquarters – Memorial	Official Garda Event
02/07/2020	Balseskin Direct Provision Centre, Finglas	Community Event

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06/07/2020	St Vincent, Navan Road	Community Event
06/07/2020	Daughters of Charity, Cabra	Community Event
07/07/2020	Anniversary Celebration – Castlereagh	Official Garda Event
08/07/2020	Beech Hill Terrace Residence, Donnybrook	Community Event
08/07/2020	Woodstock Court Residence, Ranelagh	Community Event
13/07/2020	Broomlodge, Cabra	Community Event
13/07/2020	Kinvara Road, Ashtown	Community Event
14/07/2020	Dominican Convent, Navan Road	School
14/07/2020	Glendhu Park, Ashtown	Community Event
20/07/2020	Cuan Ross Nursing Home, Cabra	Community Event
20/07/2020	Rowan Hamilton Assisted Living, Cabra	Community Event
28/07/2020	Brookville Court Residents Home, Finglas	Community Event
28/07/2020	Beneavin Nursing Home. Finglas	Community Event
31/07/2020	Blackrock Garda Station	Community Event
06/08/2020	Officers Mess	Official Garda Event
13/08/2020	Charwood Park, Clonsilla	Community Event
13/08/2020	Oakwood Nursing Home, St Margarets	Community Event
14/08/2020	Griffith Crescent, Finglas	Community Event
14/08/2020	Chamwood Gardens, Clonsilla	Community Event
14/08/2020	Funeral Mass	Official Garda Event
31/08/2020	Rehearsal – RTE Mass	Official Garda Event
02/09/2020	Castlefield Park, Clonsilla	Community Event

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03/09/2020	Castlefield Woods, Clonsilla	Community Event
03/09/2020	Funeral Mass	Official Garda Event
03/09/2020	Limelawn Green, Clonsilla	Community Event
04/09/2020	Merrick House, Terenure	Community Event
04/09/2020	Cheeverstown House, Terenure	Community Event
15/09/2020	Swords Nursing Home	Community Event
22/09/2020	Elm Green Nursing Home, Dunsink	Community Event
24/09/2020	Choice Care Nursing Home, Northern Cross	Community Event
30/09/2020	Cherryfield Lodge Nursing Home, Milltown	Community Event
01/10/2020	Brabazon House, Sandymount	Community Event
06/10/2020	Beneavin Lodge, Glasnevin	Community Event
07/10/2020	Hamilton Park Nursing Home, Balrothery	Community Event
08/10/2020	Choice Care Nursing Home, Swords	Community Event
13/10/2020	Belmount House, Stillorgan	Community Event
15/10/2020	Rush Nursing Home	Community Event
15/10/2020	Beech Tree Nursing Home, Oldtown, Dublin	Community Event
02/12/2020	Tallaght Cross Hotel	Community Event
02/12/2020	Garda Headquarters	Official Garda Event
08/12/2020	Cambridge Court, Ringsend	Community Event
08/12/2020	Beggars Bush Court, Ringsend	Community Event
09/12/2020	Bethany House, Sandyford	Community Event
09/12/2020	Brabzon House, Sandymount	Community Event

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10/12/2020	Mount Tabor, Sandyford	Community Event
10/12/2020	Margaretholme Home, Sandyford	Community Event
10/12/2020	Tritonville Close, Sandymount	Community Event
15/12/2020	Beech Hill Court, Donnybrook	Community Event
15/12/2020	Cullenswood, Donnybrook	Community Event
16/12/2020	The Royal Hospital, Donnybrook	Community Event
16/12/2020	Woodstock Court Residence, Ranelagh	Community Event
17/12/2020	St. Georges National School, Balbriggan	School
17/12/2020	Scoil Chormaic, Balbriggan	School
17/12/2020	St Peter & Paul National School, Balbriggan	School
17/12/2020	Cork University Hospital, Cork	Community Event
17/12/2020	South Infirmary University Hospital, Cork	Community Event
17/12/2020	Mercy University Hospital Cork	Community Event
18/12/2020	Cheeverstown House, Terenure	Community Event

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22/05/2021	Garda Memorial Day	Official Garda Event
19/06/2021	Castlerea Plaque Unveilings	Official Garda Event
25/06/2021	St. Michael's SNS, Raheny	School
09/07/2021	Garda Boat Club	Community Event
10/07/2021	Sheriff Street Parade	Community Event
22/07/2021	Funeral Mass	Official Garda Event
27/07/2021	Citizenship Ceremony, Croke Park	Community Event
05/08/2021	Funeral Mass	Official Garda Event
12/08/2021	Recording in BandRoom re Press Office	Official Garda Event
16/08/2021	Garda Plaque Unveiling	Official Garda Event
25/08/2021	Scott Medal Presentations, Dublin Castle	Official Garda Event
04/09/2021	National Services Day	Official Garda Event
10/09/2021	RMR North. Youth Awards. Beaumont/Artane Recreation Centre	Community Event
11/09/2021	Emergency Services Open Day, Newcastlewest, Limerick	Community Event
21/09/2021	Verona Football Club. Blanchardstown	Community Event
24/09/2021	Scott Medal Presentations. Dublin Castle	Official Garda Event
30/09/2021	Whitechurch School.	School
07/10/2021	Ceremonial Drill - Templemore	Official Garda Event
13/10/2021	Collins Barracks - Ceremonial Drill	Official Garda Event

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14/10/2021	Sheriff Street v Garda Football. Tolka Park	Community Event
21/10/2021	Ceremonial Drill - Templemore	Official Garda Event
22/10/2021	Graduation - Westmanstown - Morning	Official Garda Event
22/10/2021	Graduation - Westmanstown - Afternoon	Official Garda Event
31/10/2021	Longford Cathedral	Community Event
05/11/2021	Little Blue Heroes, Tallaght Stadium	Community Event
11/11/2021	Graduation - Pairc Ui Chaoimh, Cork	Official Garda Event
11/11/2021	NEIC Graduations	Community Event
12/11/2021	National Bravery Awards, Farmleigh	Official Garda Event
13/11/2021	Garda Youth Awards, Midlands Park Hotel, Portlaoise	Community Event
18/11/2021	Deceased Members Mass	Official Garda Event
30/11/2021	Recording in EPIC Museum re Citizenship	Community Event
01/12/2021	National Missing Persons Day	Official Garda Event
12/12/2021	European Cross Country Championships	Sporting Event
15/12/2021	Raheny House Retirement Home	Community Event
17/12/2021	Beneavin Nursing Home, Finglas	Community Event
19/12/2021	GPO Dublin, outdoor	Community Event
23/12/2021	Temple St. Childrens' Hospital	Community Event

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15/02/2022	Mass - Garda Band Room	Official Garda Event
17/02/2022	Our Lady of the Wayside NS, Kiltarnan	School
24/02/2022	Mount Jerome Crematorium	Official Garda Event
25/02/2022	Mass for deceased staff member, Officers Club. HO	Official Garda Event
27/02/2022	IRFU - Ireland v Italy, Aviva Stadium	Sporting Event
08/03/2022	Int Assoc of Women in Police Conf:	Official Garda Event
09/03/2022	Int Assoc of Women in Police Conf:	Official Garda Event
10/03/2022	Stewarts Special School, Lucan.	Community Event
10/03/2022	Stewarts Hospital. Parade	Community Event
11/03/2022	London	community Event
12/03/2022	London	Community Event
13/03/2022	London St Patricks Day Event	Community Event
15/03/2022	Templemore	Official Garda Event
16/03/2022	North Wall Residents, St Patricks Day Parade	Community Event
17/03/2022	St Patrick's Day Parade, Dublin	Community Event
19/03/2022	IRFU - Ireland v Scotland, Aviva Stadium	Sporting Event
21/03/2022	Centenary Event, Tipperary Town	Official Garda Event
01/04/2022	Graduation. Newpark Hotel, Kilkenny	Official Garda Event
04/04/2022	Graduation. Knockranny House Hotel, Mayo	Official Garda Event
08/04/2022	Colaiste Eoin TAG, Finglas	School

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12/04/2022	Travel to Bandon	Official Garda Event
13/04/2022	Bandon	Official Garda Event
15/04/2022	Easter Camp - Tallaght Leisure Centre	Community Event
16/04/2022	Centenary Community Event. Kildare	Official Garda Event
17/04/2022	Centenary Celebrations Roscommon	Official Garda Event
18/04/2022	Fairyhouse Races	Sporting Event
22/04/2022	St Raphaels Credit Union, Commemoration event	Official Garda Event
24/04/2022	Centenary Event, Kinsale	Official Garda Event
03/05/2022	Shankill Garda Station	Official Garda Event
03/05/2022	Mass for Deceased Member, Harcourt Square	Official Garda Event
04/05/2022	Our Lady's College, Drogheda	School
05/05/2022	Garda Funeral, Prosperous	Official Garda Event
06/05/2022	Opening of Airport Garda Station	Official Garda Event
06/05/2022	Funeral Mass	Official Garda Event
12/05/2022	TAG Killester	School
13/05/2022	Templemore Rehearsal	Official Garda Event
16/05/2022	JLO - Sheraton Hotel Athlone	Official Garda Event
17/05/2022	Norwegian National Day Parade	Community Event
19/05/2022	Templemore Graduation	Official Garda Event
20/05/2022	Crumlin Garda Station Open Day	Official Garda Event
21/05/2022	Garda Memorial Day	Official Garda Event
22/05/2022	Maryfield Nursing Home, Chapelizod	Community Event

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22/05/2022	Harolds Cross Community Festival	Community Event
24/05/2022	Gresham Hotel	Official Garda Event
25/05/2022	Bridewell Open Day	Community Event
27/05/2022	TAG New Cross College Finglas	School
02/06/2022	Scoil Chronain Naofa, Roscrea	School
03/06/2022	Bloom, Phoenix Park	Community Event
06/06/2022	Memorial, Cavan Garda Station	Official Garda Event
07/06/2022	Royal Hospital Donnybrook	Community Event
11/06/2022	Mount Argus, Garda Centenary Mass	Official Garda Event
12/06/2022	Bray Bandstand and Parade	Official Garda Event
13/06/2022	Adam & Eve's Church, Merchants Quay	Community Event
15/06/2022	Holy Spirit SNS, Greenhills	School
17/06/2022	Charleville Court Garden Party	Community Event
21/06/22	St. Vincents Special School, Navan Road	School
22/06/2022	JLO - Sheraton Hotel	Official Garda Event
22/06/2022	St Mary's National School, Ashbourne	School
23/06/2022	Ratoath Senior National School	School
25/06/2022	Open Day, Clondalkin Garda Station	Community Event
26/06/2022	Charleville Agricultural Show, Cork	Community Event
07/07/2022	Chapelizod Festival, Garda Boat Club	Official Garda Event
10/07/2022	Centenary Event, Cahir, Co. Tipperary	Official Garda Event
13/07/2022	Ballina Salmon Festival	Community Event

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15/07/2022	Centenary Commemoration, Limerick	Official Garda Event
16/07/2022	Trim Garda Station Open Day	Official Garda Event
17/07/2022	Rose Festival 2022, St Anne's Park, Raheny	Official Garda Event
22/07/2022	Sligo Summer Camp - visit to Bandroom	Community Event
24/07/2022	Funeral Mass	Official Garda Event
25/07/2022	Official Opening - Athlone Garda Station	Official Garda Event