



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

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FOI Reference number: 17/2022

Date: 4th May 2022

Request:

Please supply me with electronic copies of police body worn camera footage of incidents involving the application of spit and bite guards, which has been provided by the PSNI to members / staff of the Northern Ireland Policing Board and / or the independent human rights advisor to the Northern Ireland Policing Board.

Answer:

The information which you have requested is not held by the Northern Ireland Policing Board. However, we have identified that the Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI) should hold this information. Members of the Policing Board viewed the Body Worn Video of the application of spit and bite guards as part of their consideration of the Human Rights Advisor's Review of PSNI's Use of Spit and Bite Guards Report. However, the footage was not retained by the Board. A review of the footage by the Advisor and viewed by the Board can be found in Annex 1 of the Review of PSNI's Use of Spit and Bite Guards by the Policing Board's Human Rights Advisor which can be accessed at the following link.

<https://www.nipolicingboard.org.uk/publication/review-psnis-use-spit-and-bite-guards-ni-policing-boards-human-rights-advisor>

You can contact the PSNI Freedom of Information Team by post at the address below;

Freedom of Information Team
Corporate Development
Brooklyn
65 Knock Road
Belfast
BT56 6LE

Or by e-mail;

foi@psni.pnn.police.uk

If you have queries about this request or the decision please contact the Board quoting the reference number above. If you are unhappy with the service you have received and wish to make a complaint or request a review you should write to the Board's Chief Executive at the following address:

Northern Ireland Policing Board
Waterside Tower
31 Clarendon Road
Clarendon Dock
Belfast BT1 3BG

Email: foi@nipolicingboard.org.uk

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner. Generally, the Information Commissioner's Office cannot investigate or make a decision on a case unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Board. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:-

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
SK9 5AF

Telephone: - 0303 1231114
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