



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

FOI Reference number: 36/2014

Date: 12 November 2014

Request:

Could you provide me with the following information please:

1/ All travel expenses for Board members in 2013/14?

2/ What are the Board rules regarding a member who is appointed as an Independent and during the course of their term becomes affiliated to a political party?

Answer:

Answer to Question 1.

Details of the travel expenses incurred by Board Members during 2013 /14 are available to view on the Board's website via the following link:

http://www.nipolicingboard.org.uk/members_ts_website_data.pdf

Therefore the Board has not provided you with a copy of this information as the exemption at Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (Information accessible by other means) is engaged. As this is an absolute exemption the Board is not required to complete a public interest test.

Answer to Question 2.

Any Board Member who has a change in circumstances would be required to make a declaration on the Register of Member Interests. This document can be viewed on the Board's Publication Scheme at the following link:

http://www.nipolicingboard.org.uk/register_of_interest_-_updated_november_2013.pdf

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:-

The Information Commissioner's Office – Northern Ireland
3rd Floor
12 Cromac Place
Gasworks
Ormeau Road
Belfast
BT7 2JB.

Telephone: - 0303 1231114
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