



## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

**FOI Reference number:** 37/2014

**Date:** 20 November 2014

**Request:**

What law or statute has prevented the Board from using existing PCSP members to fill positions on the new 11 PCSP's ?

What was the total cost of recruitment for the last appointment of independent PCSP members?

**Answer:**

The Board is required to appoint Independent members to PCSPs in line with the guidance provided in the DoJ Code of Practice. This code is given statutory authority under Paragraph 6(2) of Schedule 1 of the Justice Act (NI) 2011. There is no provision in the Code of Practice that would allow the Board to appoint from existing membership. Existing members are eligible to apply to this open competition unless they are disqualified under the provisions outlined in the Code of Practice.

The total cost of the 2012 PSCP recruitment campaign for Independent Members was £224,236.

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:

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Waterside Tower  
31 Clarendon Road  
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Belfast BT1 3BG

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The Information Commissioner's Office – Northern Ireland  
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12 Cromac Place  
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