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I refer to your email dated 3rd May 2022 in which you asked for information in relation to the number of prosecutions in the Larne area. Your request has been dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Freedom of Information Act 2000

The Freedom of Information Act creates rights of access for any person making a request for information to a public authority. The rights of access are twofold. First, to be informed by the public authority if it holds information of the description specified in the request, and if that is the case, secondly, to be provided with that information. These rights are subject to important limitations, which are designed to achieve a proper balance between the right to know and considerations of law and policy in the broader public interest.

You had asked the following:

“I would like to request under freedom of information act the number of prosecutions for offences committed in Larne for period of 2019 to 2021 in which the offender address given as Simon Community Larne, 1 Curran Road Larne BT40 1BS”.

In response, please be advised that over the period 1st January 2019 – 31st December 2021, there were 8 prosecution decisions issued.

To note: These figures are based on suspect address of either “1 Curran Road Larne”, or “Simon Community, 1 Curran Road Larne”. However, as addresses are entered manually, it is possible that the actual figures may be higher than this if the address was entered in a different manner etc.

If you are dissatisfied in any way with the handling of your request, you have the right to request a review in accordance with our review procedure. You should do this as soon as possible or in any case within two months of the date of this response and you can do so by writing to the Head of Policy and Information, Public Prosecution Service, Belfast Chambers, 93 Chichester Street, BELFAST, BT1 3JR or alternatively by sending an e-mail to info@ppsni.gov.uk. You should state clearly the grounds on which you are requesting the review.

Alternatively, you may wish to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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

Yours sincerely,

PPS Information Management Team