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Our reference: FOI 139 24/25

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I refer to your e-mails dated 27 July 2024 in which you asked for information relating to the PPS revenue, revenue and staffing. Your request has been dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please note the PPS is a non-Ministerial Department and not an Agency as you state in your request.

### **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 asked the following:

“Please supply the following information for your Agency **ONLY**, (do not including any data on other agencies or public bodies that may report to you) for the period of 2023:

1. Year of Creation/Launch/Establishment?
2. Your Annual Budget for the financial year of 2022/23?
3. Other Revenue received but not from government?
4. Fiscal Powers: Yes/No
5. Regulatory Powers: Yes/No
6. Do you sponsor other Public Bodies: Yes/No, if yes who?
7. Number of permanent staff?
8. Number of temporary staff (including part timers)?
9. Number of contract staff employed, (self-employed)?

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Points of clarification:

- Question 4: The power to raise revenue from your clients/customer
- Question 5: Have the power to regulate your market/sector
- Questions 7,8 & 9 that is number employed during the financial year of 2022/23
- Question 7: Permanent and Fixed term employees" (including both full and part time staff)
- Question 8: Temporary and contract staff" (contractors and agency temps)
- Question 9: Secondments" (non pay-roll staff on secondment from other organisations)"

In response I can advise that the answers to questions 1-3 and 7-9 is readily available in the PPS Annual Report and Accounts found [here](#).

Therefore the information you requested is exempt from disclosure under Section 21 (Information Accessible to the applicant by other means). We are not required to release information if it is reasonably accessible to you in another way and information that falls within the scope of this request is published on the PPS website.

With regards to questions 4-6 the answers are No and in respect of question 9 I can advise the PPS does not have any self-employed staff.

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](mailto:info@ppsni.gov.uk). You should state 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,

**Information Management Team**  
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