

Freedom of Information Officer Criminal justice Inspection Northern Ireland 6th Floor 14 Great Victoria Street Belfast BT2 7BA

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Our reference: FO1080709/007

RE: Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act in respect of the use and payment of personalities (celebrities)/high profile figures during 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09.

Dear

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request submitted via email to Criminal Justice Inspection Northern Ireland on 08 July 2009 in accordance with Section 8 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Our understanding of the information requested in relation to the financial years 2006-07; 2007-08 and 2008-09 is as follows:

- the total amount paid by this organisation to personalities (celebrities) or high profile figures to front publicity campaigns or attend events during the years stated above; and
- a list of the personalities involved by name and a brief description of the nature of the work carried out.

In answer to your request for information, I can inform you that information relating to the above request is being released and details are below.

No personalities were paid to front publicity campaigns by this organisation during 2006-07, 2007-08 or 2008-09.

In 2006-07, nil payments were paid by this organisation and no personalities were requested to attend events during the financial year.

In 2007-08, this organisation paid one personality (M Devenport) to attend a single event hosted by this organisation. The personality involved chaired a debate involving speakers and delegates at a conference.

In 2008-09, this organisation paid one personality (F McKinney) to attend one event hosted by this organisation. The personality involved acted as MC for the duration of a one-day conference.

As agreed with you on 29 July 2009 following email correspondence with Criminal Justice Inspection Northern Ireland, information relating to the amount paid to each individual in each of the two financial years stated above is not being disclosed.

This is being done with your agreement as it may, as you stated in your original email, equate to a breach of data protection principles.

I hope this response satisfies your request.

Should the information contained in this letter not satisfy your request for information, you should contact in the first instance CJI's Freedom of Information Officer. Their address is Freedom of Information Officer, Criminal Justice Inspection Northern Ireland, 6th Floor, 14 Great Victoria Street, Belfast, BT2 7BA or email <u>info@cjini.org</u>.

Yours sincerely,

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