

PBNI Disclosure Log – Response to Request

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Date of Request: 23 April 2026

Date of Response: 21 May 2026

Request

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide the following recorded information.

From the last 3 financial year's budgeted figures (2022/23, 23/24, 24/25):

1. Climate-related posts

a) The number of posts if any (headcount, and FTE where recorded) employed with job titles that include any of the following terms:

Climate; Net Zero; Sustainability; Carbon; Emissions; Environmental Sustainability; Climate Change; Climate Action; Climate Policy; Climate Programme; Climate Project; Climate Data; Climate Reporting; Climate Adaptation; Climate Resilience; Energy and Climate; Sustainable Procurement; Green Finance; Green.

2. Cost of those posts

The total employment cost for the posts (if any) identified in Question 1, including salary and employer on-costs (e.g. pension and National Insurance), as recorded.

3. External consultants

The total amount paid during the same financial year to external consultants, companies, or contractors where the expenditure is recorded under any cost centre, project code, budget line, or purchase description that includes one or more of the following terms:

Climate; Net Zero; Sustainability; Carbon; Emissions; Environmental Sustainability; Climate Change; Climate Action; Climate Policy; Climate Programme; Climate Project; Climate Data; Climate Reporting; Climate Adaptation; Climate Resilience; Energy and Climate; Sustainable Procurement; Green Finance; Green.

This should include, but not be limited to, expenditure coded to professional services, consultancy, advisory services, or specialist support.

If you do not record expenditure in this way, please provide the closest equivalent recorded

information held (for example, totals by relevant cost centre or project).

If any information requested is not held, please state this clearly. If figures are held only in aggregated form, please provide the aggregated figures. Estimates derived from recorded financial information are acceptable.

If complying with this request would exceed the cost limit under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act, please disregard point 3.

Please provide the information requested above in the following table format, where held.

Financial Year

Job Title

Staff Costs including on-costs (£)

Headcount

Consultant Spend

Response

The Probation Board for Northern Ireland does not have any climate related posts that fall under question 1, and no costs were incurred in the financial years 2022-23, 2023-24 or 2024-25.

If you have any queries about this letter, or if you feel I have misinterpreted your request please contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the way PBNI has handled your request, you have the right to request an Internal Review of the decision within two months of receiving this response letter. All FOI complaints or requests for a review should be made in writing to the Head of Communications and Compliance via the FOI mailbox: FOI@probation-ni.gov.uk

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right 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.

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