

PBNI Disclosure Log – Response to Request

Category: Probation Supervision

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Date of Request: 20 August 2018

Date of Response: 29 August 2018

Request and Response

Q. I would like to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for the following information:
What is the remit of the PBNI in regards to a permanent transfer to Northern Ireland under the intra UK transfer scheme?

You had asked about the remit of PBNI in regards to a permanent transfer to Northern Ireland under the “Intra UK transfer scheme”.

I am interpreting this as relating to the process for permanent transfer or resettlement outside of England and Wales of offenders’ subject to licence or post-sentence supervision.

PBNI’s role is to prepare a Home Circumstances report (HCR) or Home background report (HBR), when requested, through the HMPPS (Her Majesty’s Prison and Probation Service) or the Scottish Prison Service transfer process.

A report is requested to verify and support information supplied in the application to assist the decision making process.

PBNI will attempt to contact the named contact to establish whether they are able and willing to support the prisoner, should the transfer take place. A report is prepared and returned to HMPPS to assist with decision making.

PBNI may also be asked for views on the transfer of the supervision of the licence, following release, where appropriate.

I hope this helps to clarify your query above in respect of the remit of PBNI.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications

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The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner’s Office,
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