



PBNI Disclosure Log – Response to Request

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Request

Q. Does your Department/agency/organisation currently use a private company to undertake any of the following services:

- Public relations
- Social Media Communications
- External Stakeholder Communications
- Internal Stakeholder Communications.

If Yes can you please confirm:

- When the current contract was last let?
- When the current contract expires?
- Whether the current contract has options to extend its length?
- When you expect to retender the contract?

Response

The Probation Board for Northern Ireland (PBNI) does not currently use a private company to undertake the services you outlined i.e.

- Public Relations,
- Social Media Communications,
- External Stakeholder Communications,
- Internal Stakeholder Communications.

PBNI has not used a private company to help with marketing or public information campaigns in the past 2 years. Whilst PBNI cannot rule out ever using such a company in the future, it has no plans currently in that respect.

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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