

NORTHERN JOINT POLICE BOARD

27 November 2009

Agenda Item	
Report No	

COMPLAINTS AGAINST THE POLICE

Report by the Chief Constable

SUMMARY

To inform members, in terms of circular 16/1973, with regard to recorded complaints against the Police.

BACKGROUND

In the period 1 July to 30 September 2009, **59** complaints were received, with **98** allegations being made. The breakdown of the **98** allegations for the period is:

ON DUTY

• Assault	2
• Excessive Force	7
• Incivility	12
• Neglect of Duty	13
• Irregularity in Procedure	21
• Traffic Irregularity	3
• Oppressive Conduct/Harassment	10
• Unlawful Arrest/Unnecessary	4
• Discriminatory Behaviour	2
• Corrupt Practice	1
• Other - Criminal	7
• Other - Non Criminal	7

Total Allegations **89**

OFF DUTY

• Crimes of Violence	0
• Crimes of Indecency	0
• Crimes of Dishonesty	0
• Fireraising, Malicious Mischief, etc.	0
• Other Crimes	0
• Miscellaneous Offences	0
• Offences involving Motor Vehicles	0
• Incivility	1
• Other	1

Total Allegations **2**

QUALITY OF SERVICE

• Policy/Procedure	4
• Service Delivery	3
• Service Outcome	0
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Total Allegations

DISCRIMINATION / EQUALITIES

Between 1 April 2009 and 5 October 2009 8 Discriminatory Behaviour complaint allegations have been received which comprise approximately 5.5% of total complaint allegations (144) made during the material period. This compares with a total of 5 discriminatory behaviour allegations for the entire year 2008-09. All 8 allegations remain live at this time. None of the 2008-09 allegations remain outstanding, although two have been concluded since the date of the last meeting.

The Complaints Register will be available for examination at the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

Members are invited to note the report.

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Chief Constable
5 November 2009