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Address Correspondence to:

Date 17 March 2016

Dear,

Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your request for information received 23/02/2016.

I note you seek access to the following information:

1. In the financial years 2013-2014, 2014-15 and 2015 - present, how many grants were awarded in which at least one of the outputs/outcomes was to provide services to victims of stalking? This could be any service to help victims e.g. counselling, information and advice, casework however the outcome must have specifically referred to working with victims of stalking.

1a. How many of these grants were towards work which was open to victims of stalking who were not being targeted by an ex-partner?

- *b) 2. What was the total monetary value of these grants?*
- c) 3. Which organisations were they awarded

I would prefer to receive this information electronically to the email address provided below.

Following receipt of your request, searches were conducted within Leicestershire Police to locate information relevant to your request.

Your request for information has now been considered and the information asked for is as follows: -

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner has not provided specific grants for the above mentioned areas. Please note that although stalking is not referenced specifically in the outputs/outcomes sections of our specifications, two of our existing contracts (Victim First and UAVA) do make some reference to stalking and do provide support to victims of stalking. Our Victims First service offers support to all victims whether or not they have reported the crime to the Police and our UAVA (United Against Violence and Abuse) service provides support specifically to victims of sexual or domestic abuse/violence which obviously can include stalking. This means that

victims of stalking, whether or not the stalker is an ex-partner, have access to support. Victims of stalking are not specifically mentioned within the outcomes/outputs sections of these specifications as it would be unreasonable for us to reference all crime types within these sections. These contracts make mention of stalking where it is particularly relevant (the Victim First specification mentions it in relation to keeping victims of stalking safe within any restorative justice whilst the UAVA specification mentions it in relation to the DASH (Domestic Abuse, Stalking and Harassment risk assessment).

Leicestershire Police provides you the right to ask for a re-examination of your request under its review procedure. Letters should be addressed to Information Manager, Professional Standards Department at the above address. If you decide to request such a review and having followed the Force's full process you are still dissatisfied, then you have the right to direct your comments to the Information Commissioner who will give it consideration.

Yours sincerely

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