

Our ref: 2897/21

Your Ref: PB/0897/21

Date: 18 October 2021

Dear,

Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your request for information received 21 September 2021. I note you seek access to the following information:

Under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide me with full details of staffing changes within the OPCC since the election in May.

Please include:

1. Number of staff hired, including job titles and salaries

2. Number of staff made redundant or who have resigned or retired, including severance payments

Following receipt of your request, searches were conducted within the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicester and Leicestershire to locate information relevant to your request.

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

1. Number of staff hired, including job titles and salaries

The number of staff who have been hired is 2:

Community Liaison Grade 4 (£21,135-£23,406) Personal Assistant Grade 3 (£19,452-£20,706)

2. Number of staff made redundant or who have resigned or retired, including severance payments

The number of staff who have been made redundant, or have resigned or retired is 3.



The remaining information cannot be supplied to you as the following exemption has been applied to your request:

Section 22 - Information Intended for Future Publication

Section 22 is a qualified, class-based exemption and therefore requires us to conduct a public interest test.

Section 22- Consideration favouring disclosure

There is public interest in disclosure of the requested information as it would improve transparency and accountability of the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner.

Section 22- Considerations favouring non-disclosure

The information is contained within the Statement of Accounts, which may be subject to further revision before publication. It is therefore, in the public interest that the information is reviewed and accurate before being made available to the wider public.

Furthermore, the information requested is in the interest to the wider public and therefore it is important that it can be accessed simultaneously, rather than through the small number of FOI requests. It is in the public interest that the information is accessible to the public by adhering to the publication schedule.

We have reached the view that, on balance the public interest is better serviced by withholding the information under section 22 of the FOIA at this time.

You may be interested to know that this information will be in the Statement of Accounts from July 2022, which will be available to view on the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioners website.

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner provides you the right to ask for a re-examination of your request under its review procedure. Letters should be addressed to the Executive Director at the address below. If you decide to request such a review and having followed the OPCC'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

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner

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