



**POLICE & CRIME  
COMMISSIONER**  
for Leicester,  
Leicestershire & Rutland  
Your Communities - Your Commissioner

Date: 21 November 2023

Name:

Email:

Dear,

**Freedom of Information Act 2000**

I write further to your freedom of information request received on 25 October 2023. I note you seek access to the following information:

*What is the Police and Crime Commissioner currently doing to combat knife crime?  
Please supply details of current initiatives.*

*What has been spent (£) on these initiatives?  
Please supply figures for the past five years (calendar or financial) -- from 2018 to the present.*

Your request for information has now been considered and the response can be found below:

**What is the Police and Crime Commissioner currently doing to combat knife crime?  
Please supply details of current initiatives.**

*The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner supports a number of initiatives to combat serious crime including knife crime. This is through the Commissioners Safety Fund/Intervention Fund and through the Violence Reduction Network (VRN).*

*The current initiatives are:*

- *The Violence Intervention Project (VIP)*
- *The Phoenix Programme.*
- *Wider Offender Management.*
- *Street Outreach in Serious Violence Hotspots*
- *Mentors in Violence Prevention (MVP)*
- *The Reach Programme*
- *Knife crime awareness package*
- *Commissioners Safety Fund*



**What has been spent (£) on these initiatives?**

**Please supply figures for the past five years (calendar or financial) -- from 2018 to the present.**

**Section 21 – Information which is reasonably accessible.**

*The information requested is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than by response through Section 1 the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This is an absolute and class-based exemption and, as such, I am not required to complete either a public interest or harm test on the issue of disclosure. The information which you have requested can be found on the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner's website using the following link; [Decisions \(pcc.police.uk\)](https://pcc.police.uk)*

The Police and Crime Commissioners Office provides you the right to ask for a re-examination of your request under its review procedure. Letters should be addressed to Data Protection Officer at the above address or emailed to [OPCC@leics.police.uk](mailto:OPCC@leics.police.uk). If you decide to request such a review and having followed the Police and Crime Commissioner'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,

**Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner**

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