

Our Ref: FOI 1325

16 March 2021

Dear

**Freedom of Information Request – Reference FOI 1325**

I refer to your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, received on 23 February 2021.

Set out below is the request you have raised and our response to it.

**REQUEST**

- 1. The person to whom the function of making arrangements for dealing with complaints reported against the Chief Constable has been delegated to,*
- 2. The instrument used to delegate the function of making arrangements for dealing with complaints reported against the Chief Constable, for example whether the delegation has been made in accordance with the Scheme of Corporate Governance or any other instrument*
- 3. The person identified as being the ‘appropriate authority’ as defined under s. 29.1 (a) (i) of the Police Reform Act 2002, in order to meet the obligations prescribed for the appropriate authority within the IOPC Statutory Guidance on the Police Complaints System*

**RESPONSE**

Section 1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 provides two distinct but related rights of access to information, which impose corresponding duties on public authorities. These are:

- Section 1(1)(a) the duty to inform the applicant whether or not information is held by the authority, and if so,
- Section 1(1)(b) the duty to communicate that information to the applicant.

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) does hold information relating to your request.

**South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner**  
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1. The person to whom **the function of making arrangements** for dealing with complaints reported against the Chief Constable has been delegated to.

*This function has been delegated to the Chief Executive and Solicitor.*

2. The instrument used to delegate the function of making arrangements for dealing with complaints reported against the Chief Constable, for example whether the delegation has been made in accordance with the Scheme of Corporate Governance or any other instrument.

*The Joint Scheme of Consent and Delegations.*

3. The person identified as being the '**appropriate authority**' as defined under s. 29.1 (a) (i) of the Police Reform Act 2002, in order to meet the obligations prescribed for the appropriate authority within the IOPC Statutory Guidance on the Police Complaints System

*The 'appropriate authority' is the Police and Crime Commissioner.*

If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request an internal review by emailing this office.

If you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office,  
Wycliffe House,  
Water Lane,  
Wilmslow,  
Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Telephone: 08456 306060 or 01625 545745

Website: [www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk)

Yours sincerely

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