

Our Ref: FOI 0070

9 February 2024

Dear

Freedom of Information Request – Reference FOI 0070

I refer to your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which was transferred to us by South Yorkshire Police on the 8 January 2024.

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

REQUEST

All spending over 2k in last 7 years in all departments and departments set out

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 some information in relation to your request but not all the information.

Neither the OPCC nor South Yorkshire Police (SYP) produce data specifically in relation to spending over £2,000. Freedom of Information guidance states that, say “If you don’t hold a particular piece of information that someone has asked for, you don’t have to create it. Nor are you required to ask a third party for the information, unless they hold it on your behalf.”

However, as part of the Elected Local Policing Bodies (Specified Information) Order 2022 (amended 2021) Police and Crime Commissioners must publish, for both the elected local policing body and the chief officer of the police expenditure exceeding £500.

The Information Commissioner’s Office stipulates that as a minimum, Police and Crime Commissioners must make financial information for the current and previous two financial years available. The OPCC currently has on its website data for 2020, 2021, 2022 and January to September 2023. This can be found at <https://southyorkshire->

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pcc.gov.uk/openness/publications/?search=&publication-type=spend-exceeding-500&start-date=&end-date=).

Data for October, November and December 2023 will be available on the PCC's website in the next few weeks. Taking this into consideration, this response is a partial response, and I will send you the missing data as soon as this is available.

The following data has been provided:

Year	SYP	OPCC
2017 – Jan to Dec	Appendix A	Appendix H
2018 – Jan to Dec	Appendix B	Appendix I
2019 – Jan to Dec	Appendix C	Appendix J
2020 – Jan to Dec	Appendix D	Appendix K
2021 – Jan to Dec	Appendix E	Appendix L
2022 – Jan to Dec	Appendix F	Appendix M
2023 – Jan to Sept	Appendix G	Appendix N

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 or complaint, 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

Yours sincerely

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