

19th December 2013

I write following your FOI request dated 20.11.13 in which you request;

*Under the Freedom of Information Act could you please provide me with information on how much the PCC claimed in expenses in the first 12 months of office – November 2012 to October 2013.
Could the list please be broken down to include details on how much was claimed on travel, food, and accommodation?
Could you also provide details on the PCC's mileage allowance?
Could the list please be provided in an Excel spreadsheet too?*

This request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Regarding your request I can now inform you that I have completed my enquiries and that my reply on behalf of the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cleveland is as follows.

I can confirm that the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cleveland does hold this information.

However I am refusing the first part of your request under s21 of the FOIA as the information is reasonably accessible by other means ie it is on our website at:

<http://www.cleveland.pcc.police.uk/Your-PCC/PCC-Expenses-and-Expenditure.aspx> .

For the second part of your request I can inform you that although the Commissioner uses his own private vehicle extensively for his business around Cleveland and the North East region, the Commissioner does not claim any mileage allowance. However to fully answer your request, the rate if he chose to do so, would be 65p per mile.

I can confirm that the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cleveland has a complaints procedure.

If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request a review by writing to:

Chief of Staff, Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cleveland, Police Headquarters,
Ladgate Lane, Middlesbrough, TS8 9EH

or you can follow the complaints procedure found on our website at:

www.cleveland.pcc.police.uk

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 30 60 60 or 01625 54 57 45 Website: www.ico.gov.uk

There is no charge for making an appeal.

John Bage
Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cleveland