

30th May 2013

I write following your FOI request dated 22.4.13 in which you request;

To whom it may concern,

I would like to submit a Freedom of Information request in relation to expenses claims lodged with the force.

Can I ask what expenses claims have been made so far (whether successful or not) have been made by the Police and Crime Commissioner to date?

Also, what expenses claims have all members of the police authority made?

Thank you for your help

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

With reference to the first full line of your request, I am replying to your request on behalf of the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cleveland and not Cleveland Police Force.

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 some of this information.

For the expenses of the Police and Crime Commissioner I am refusing this element of your request under s21 of the FOI Act as this information is reasonably accessible to you by other means, namely the internet.

Section 16 of the FOI Act informs that we must as a matter of duty provide advice and assistance to you to find such. In these circumstances I can inform you that the expenses of the Commissioner can be found at the following link;

<http://www.cleveland.pcc.police.uk/Financial-Information/Financial-Information.aspx>

In respect of your request for expenses of the Police Authority, please find attached information for 2011-12 and 2012-13.

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