



WEST MERCIA PCC: DISCLOSURE LOG RESPONSE TO REQUEST

Reference: 2017 - 128
Date of response 24th January 2017

FOI Query

Dear FOI team,

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information:

- The number of complaints about police officers illegally accessing the Police National Computer
- The number of complaints about force civilian staff illegally accessing the Police National Computer
- Please detail the outcome of those complaints (numbers of police officers disciplined/prosecuted/suspended/sacked/no action, numbers of police staff disciplined/prosecuted/suspended/sacked/no action)
- Please detail for what purposes (where known) those police officers and staff unlawfully accessed the PNC

Please provide the information for calendar years 2014, 2015, 2016 –Jan-Dec.

Please collate the information in an excel spreadsheet and send via email.

Further information for the FOI request lodged today – 16th Jan 2017.

OPCCs should/usually hold a log detailing the nature of complaints sent to them by members of the public. Please provide details of the number of complaints against police that involve the alleged misuse of the Police National Computer.

We are aware that any complaints relating to police officers and staff received by the OPCC are usually sent on to the police force.

Complaints

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If you think that the Police and Crime Commissioner has failed to supply information in accordance with the publication scheme, then you should write in the first instance, to the:

Chief Executive, OPCC – West Mercia, Hindlip Hall, Worcester. WR3 8SP

The PCC will aim to deal with your complaint within 10 working days. If you are dissatisfied with the response you can ask for the matter to be internally reviewed. Internal reviews will be completed promptly and a response given to you within 20 working days of your further request.

If, after the internal review, you remain dissatisfied, then you can complain to the Information Commissioner (Office of the Information Commissioner), Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF).



Response

At present we can confirm that we have received no complaints regarding unlawful access to the Police National Computer for the years 2014, 2015, 2016 – Jan – Dec.

Had such complaints been received, we would not hold the further information on outcomes as serious matter such as this are immediately passed to the Force for investigation.

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