

WEST MERCIA PCC: DISCLOSURE LOG RESPONSE TO REQUEST

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 - INFORMATION REQUEST

Request

To whom it may concern,

Freedom of Information request into Out of Court Disposals Scrutiny Panels

I would be grateful if you could provide the following data under the Freedom of Information Act 2000:

- Whether there is a scrutiny panel in existence in your area, and whether this is active

And if there is an active scrutiny panel in your area:

- Who attends the panel on a regular basis
- What the outcomes of the panel are, and how they are shared with the police and public.

OPCC Response.

Please see the below response to your request.

- Whether there is a scrutiny panel in existence in your area, and whether this is active *Yes, there is a Scrutiny Panel in place, it is active and meets quarterly.*

And if there is an active scrutiny panel in your area: West Mercia

- Who attends the panel on a regular basis

Chair – Deputy PCC Youth Offending Service National Probation Service Warwickshire / West Mercia CRC Victim Support OPCC – Criminal Justice Manager / LCJB Manager Crown Prosecution Service West Mercia Police Force Crime Registrar Herefordshire Magistrates' Bench Chair Telford Magistrates' Branch Chair Shropshire Magistrates' Branch Chair Worcestershire Magistrates' Bench Chair RJ Co-ordinator West Mercia Police Head of Victim Services – West Mercia Police West Mercia Police Ch Insp Crime Bureau West Mercia Police – Criminal Justice Manager

- What the outcomes of the panel are, and how they are shared with the police and public.

Minutes and actions are taken at the meeting. A record of the meeting / findings of the Panel are shared with the Chief Constable and LCJB. The Force Crime Registrar is responsible for ensuring all actions are complete and findings, when relevant, are fed back into the training department. When inappropriate outcomes are found, the officer and their line management are made aware. The Force provides feedback to the panel on outstanding items. An annual report is prepared and published by the Chair.

Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter, please write to the Information Compliance Unit; Information Compliance Unit, PO Box 55, Worcester, WR3 8SP. Email: <u>information@westmercia.pnn.police.uk</u>

Yours sincerely,

FOI Officer West Mercia PCC

Complaints

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).