

Freedom of Information  
Quarterly Disclosure Log

1 October 2020 to 31 December 2020



Ref No	Request	Response
221020	Request for staffing structure of Northumbria OPCC.	Response sent advising requester that all information is on the OPCC website. Details provided.

<p>161020 (renumbered 004/20)</p>	<p>Request for various information in relation to Data Protection policies.</p>	<p><b>1. Please specify what if any requirements and or checks were undertaken on any part of, or person within, the office of the PCC before this definition/ certification was applied to your office.</b></p> <p><i>I can confirm that revision has been undertaken as part of our response to your request. I further confirm that the OPCC for Northumbria is not a competent authority under Schedule 7 of the DPA 2018 and I can confirm that any reference to this has been removed from the OPCC website. We take this opportunity to thank you for bringing this matter to our attention.</i></p> <p><b>2. Please specify if there is any time limit applied to the "Competent Authority" certification? applied to your office.</b></p> <p><i>As per our response to question 1, however in respect of time limits applied to the any competent authority certification, no data is held.</i></p> <p><b>3. Please specify if there is any requirement for any checks or measures of any description to ensure maintenance of any "competencies" regarding this description and if so</b></p> <p><i>As per our response to question 1, however regarding requirements for checks or measures to ensure maintenance of competencies, no data is held.</i></p> <p><b>4. Please specify what they are and how often they are required to be undertaken.</b></p> <p><i>As per our response to question 1. No data is held.</i></p> <p><b>5. Please confirm whether you have any policy or procedure in place to address Data Security Incidents, and if so provide a copy along with any definitions for and or examples of any risk ratings used or incidents that have already happened.</b></p> <p><i>The OPCC for Northumbria has adopted the policy and procedure attached. Risk ratings are rated as low, medium and high and are</i></p>
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*calculated in accordance with the format attached. In terms of any incidents that have occurred, I confirm that no data is held.*

In the two word documents provided to Mr A, which when downloaded from his response show a date of 10/15/2020 being today's date,

**6. Please provide any date information detailing when those formats were originally brought into use.**

I ask because the DPA 2018 came into force on the 23 May 2018 from which point the time limit for compliance with a SAR became one calendar month, and yet your template, in use apparently for the last 29 months has been unlawfully quoting the time limit for compliance with the DPA 1998.

In addition the GDPR became law in the UK on the 25 May 2018.

Both the DPA 2018 and GDPR state that where the data controller holds a reasonable belief that a Subject Access Request originates from a person not entitled to receive that information then the data controller may request two further forms of ID before complying with that request.

Your word document "SAR ACK Letter" to Mr A specifies a "Requirement" for two forms of ID without specifying any "reasonable belief" that the applicant is not entitled to receive the information requested.

In addition that standard template letter identifies the required ID to be "A copy of two identification documentation to contain your name in full and date of birth, the other to contain your name and current address, e.g. birth certificate, current passport, driving licence, medical card or utility bill." (The grammatical errors are copied directly from the Original)

The response from Mr Payne to Mr A request includes the statement "it may be worth noting that this office has yet to receive a subject access request other than by email since the introduction of the Data Protection Act 2018."

*No information held. From the records reviewed, the date of the document defers to the date it is opened. The wording of this letter is the wording that is currently held as a revised acknowledgement letter is yet to be required. The letter your refer to has not been used/sent since the introduction of the GDPR 2018. If an acknowledgement is requested in the future, a relevant and applicable acknowledgement letter would be used.*

**7. Please specify how many SARs have been received by the OPCC since the 23 May 2018.**

*Seven SARS have been received into the OPCC for Northumbria since the 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2018.*

**8. Please specify how many of those recorded SARs arrived by email and how many by surface post or in person hand delivered.**

*Of the seven SARS received, six were received by email, one by post.*

Of the total number of SARs ,

**9. Please specify how many were required to provide the two forms of ID prior to your compliance with the requirements of law.**

*Of the SARS received into the OPCC for Northumbria since the 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2018, identification documentation to satisfy the requirements set out in our guidance is held for six applications. Accordingly, the OPCC for Northumbria was satisfied as to the identity of the individuals for those applications.*

**10. Please specify for how many of those requests any member of the OPCC detailed any "reasonable beliefs" or indeed any "unreasonable Beliefs" or any beliefs at all that the SAR had originated from anyone other than the lawful recipient and provide a list of the types of belief so specified.**

*As per our response to question 9, identification documentation was received from all applicants. Accordingly, of those where documentation was evident, we were satisfied that the applications were legitimate and sufficient ID documentation ensured that we were satisfied as to the applicants identity. One individual did not provide identification documentation. There is no "list" of beliefs that you refer to in this question and so no information is held for this part of our response.*

**11. In relation to the SARs received, please specify how many were received from a communication source which the OPCC had not been in regular communication with prior to the SAR being received.**

*No information held, we do not record whether people are in "regular correspondence" with the OPCC or not. All requests were from people that had previously entered into some form of correspondence with the OPCC.*

**12. In relation to the SARs received, please specify how many of the data subjects, who had been in communication with the OPCC for the OPCC to hold any data regarding them, had as part of their recorded information held, "verified" (i.e. checked with a secondary source other than the data subject, or by official documentation) their Full Name and Date of Birth, or their name and postal address prior to the SAR being received.**

Of the SARS received, data was held for each individual that provided limited identification to the OPCC for Northumbria. Proof of identification to verify those individuals details was used for six of the SARS to satisfy the OPCC for Northumbria prior to processing of any data in accordance with the SAR. One applicant has not provided sufficient identification documentation that is necessary to verify that persons identity.

Since I would assume from Mr Paynes comment that all SARs had arrived by email, (a form of communication in which it is not usually accepted to include a surface mail return address, and if you reasonably believe the originator is lying about their identity then you must reasonably believe they would lie about their postal address also) and I believe there is no possible

way the "required" documentation can possibly verify the data subjects identity in relation to the records held by the OPCC.

**13. Please specify any policy, procedure or document of any description which clearly specifies how an identity document showing a full name and date of birth along with a name and postal address can possibly be used to identify a data subject in relation to the information held, who's only avenues of communication have been with the OPCC via Email and or Telephone.**

The Data Protection procedure advises that "Individuals must provide evidence of their identity and address by supplying copies of at least two official documents which between them clearly show their name, date of birth, current address and signature." The Data Protection Policy does not specifically relate to the scenario set out in your question.

**14. Please also provide a link to or a copy of any provision within the DPA 2018 or GDPR which states that any Data Subject can only request information be sent to a registered postal address.**

I refer you to the legislation which is publicly available so that you can assess whether the information you request is available.

**15. Please specify any policy or procedure which would allow the, Director of Confidence, Standards and Statutory Reviews within the OPCC to respond to communication addressed to Ms McGuinness almost immediately upon receipt and where that ability is specified in his stated role profile.**

There is no policy or documented procedure relating to this part of your request and accordingly, no information is held.

**16. Finally, please specify the contact details for the person and the organisation responsible for awarding the OPCC Northumbria the accreditation of being a "Competent Authority" as I wish to contact them regarding having that accreditation removed forthwith.**

		Please refer to our response at question 1.
261020	<p>1. When a police complaint is appealed to the OPCC, do you expect as per your policies and Regulations in Force, that the police complaint reply to Appellant -- contains an Approved Authority Person Secondary signature, in addition to the investigating officer signature?</p> <p>2. Is the Approved Authority Secondary Signature upon a police complaint reply, required by any Regulation or Laws re formal police complaints? Please direct to these Regulations Laws?</p>	<p>No information held by the OPCC for Northumbria. The matters relating to a second signatory are the responsibility of Northumbria Police and so you should direct any query relating to a specific complaint to their Professional Standards Department.</p> <p>No information held by the OPCC for Northumbria. The matters relating to a second signatory are the responsibility of Northumbria Police and so you should direct any query relating to a specific complaint to their Professional Standards Department.</p>



<p>271020</p>	<p>1 - How many complaints have been received by the PCC against Northumbria Police or its officers from July 2019 until 27/10/2010.</p> <p>2 - How many cases have been referred to the Professional Standards Department by the Incumbent PCC department from July 2019 until 27/10/2010.</p> <p>3 - Crime number XXXXXX has been reported but not investigated by Northumbria Police. Does crime number XXXXX constitute to still be a crime?</p> <p>4 - Not a valid FOI question</p>	<p>The Professional Standards Department of Northumbria deal with all complaints about Police officers or investigations. All complaints that are received in the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner about Northumbria Police or its officers are passed to the Professional Standards Department. The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner is in most cases, the reviewing body. No information is recorded regarding cases sent to the Professional Standards Department.</p> <p>All complaints relating to police investigations or about police officers must be referred to the Professional Standards Department. No information is recorded regarding cases sent to the Professional Standards Department.</p> <p>No information is held by the OPCC for Northumbria about specific crimes. Given that your request refers to a specific crime I advise that you ought to make enquires directly with Northumbria Police. You should note that specific details of crimes may not be released into the public domain and accordingly you may wish to consider an alternative route of access other than the Freedom of Information Act 2000.</p>
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271020a	Requested information regarding a specific organisation as to whether they received funding from the Commissioner's Community Fund.	<p><b>The year the record(s) are from;</b> The data supplied is provided for the timelines you have set out in your request.</p> <p><b>The type of information the record is (i.e. email, grant aid form, Bid WP, Bid, Grant Approval correspondence, Grant Claim, Grant Claim WP, Other WP etc);</b> All applications are received via email or post.</p> <p><b>The department inside the PCC Office responsible for receiving this grant aid form or bid;</b> There is no specific department within the OPCC for Northumbria that is responsible for receiving grant aid forms or bids.</p> <p><b>Any specific policies for handling such records at the time it was received;</b> Documentation in respect of our Guidance Document, and Terms and Conditions for the Commissioners Community Fund are attached.</p> <p><b>- The document itself;</b> Documentation in respect of the application form is also attached for your reference. The application you refer to cannot be disclosed into the public domain and is exempt under Section 43(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This exemption refers to commercial interests where a public authority is able to exempt data where it would prejudice the commercial interests of an individual, company or organisation.</p> <p>Details of any application will not be disclosed and by withholding we rely on the following exemption.</p>
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Section 43 (2) Commercial Interests

Information is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the public authority holding it.)

I have carried out a public interest test as follows:

Factors favouring disclosure

The release of the information would demonstrate the openness of the organisation to explain and account for monies spent on services and contribute to the accuracy and quality of public debate of such matters, especially in the current climate of cutbacks.

Disclosure of the information would also show the openness of the processes by which such services are procured

Factors favouring non disclosure

Release of the information would jeopardise the interests of third parties in relation to sensitive commercial information held in relation to contractual, financial or business issues and would harm the commercial interests of service providers. Such disclosure may then dissuade those service providers from giving favourable rates to the police service. As this is public money this would impact on the force getting the opportunity to be provided with the best deals and value for allocated budgets.

Balance test

A disclosure which greatly affects the ability of a product/service supplier to operate in a free market would have a knock on effect on the effectiveness of the OPCC to do business in the future. Disclosures under Freedom of Information which harm commercial partners will make it more difficult to attract suitable suppliers in the future, as they avoid that risk to their organisations. This will mean that the numbers of options to select from could be reduced which in turn could mean either inferior products having to be selected or more expensive options having to be chosen. This would not be of benefit either to the OPCC or to the

		<p>public purse. The accountability of public funds and the background to decisions being made are compelling arguments, however this is offset by the fact that the authority is already subject to financial audit and is accountable for the money it spends.</p> <p>You should therefore consider this to be a refusal notice under section 17 of the Act for this parts of your request outlined above.</p> <p>However I can advise the term is 5 Years.</p> <p><b>- (i) Whether the grant aid bid/request/other was successful (ii) if successful, the reason provided for accepting the application(s), if unsuccessful, the reason provided for rejecting the application(s)</b></p> <p>The data you have requested cannot be supplied to you as it is exempted under Section 43(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This exemption refers to commercial interests where a public authority is able to exempt data where is would prejudice the commercial interests of an individual, company or organisation.</p> <p>A list of all successful applications can be found at <a href="http://www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk">www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk</a></p> <p><b>In addition, can the PCC please also provide:</b></p> <p><b>- Any specific policies towards approving grants/loans/bids/other from TWAFa/TWAFc;</b></p> <p>All applications are subject to the same approval process. The guidance and terms and conditions provide sufficient information to answer this part of your request.</p> <p><b>- Any specific Service Level Agreements (SLAs) which were in force or drafted before, during or after this period;</b></p> <p>The data you have requested cannot be supplied to you as it is exempted under Section 43(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This exemption refers to commercial interests where a public authority is able to</p>
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		<p>exempt data where it would prejudice the commercial interests of an individual, company or organisation.</p> <p><b>- The individuals responsible inside the PCC Office for signing off/handling these grant aid requests/bids/loans/other and the department which the individuals were employed within;</b></p> <p>There is no specific department within the OPCC for Northumbria that is responsible for receiving grant aid forms or bids. The OPCC is responsible for the final approval of any funding request.</p> <p><b>- (i) What due diligence was carried out on TWAFAs prior to reviewing any forms, on reviewing any forms, on releasing any grant aid/loan/other money and (ii) whether this due diligence was an ongoing process throughout the duration of the grant aid/bid/loan etc</b></p> <p>Due diligence in respect of verification and suitability is applied to all applications for funding. Please refer to the Terms and Conditions to assist you with this part of your request.</p>
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<p>002/20</p>	<p>i) Can you advise how many staff are under the management and are or have been used for the incumbent PCC Kim McGuinness to conduct efficient running of the PCC term of office. For the avoidance of doubt how many personnel/staff are used for the PCC office or have been required for the incumbent Kim McGuinness term of office.</p> <p>ii) Can you advise how many Police officers are working in the PCC office? The PCC website claims three. Can you confirm the number is correct.</p> <p>iii) Can you advise how many Police Staff are working within the PCC office or for the incumbent PCC Kim McGuinness.</p> <p>Can you advise if changes to PCC staff (as defined in question 1 above) were made when the incumbent PCC took up her position.</p> <p>During the time period July 1st 2019 until July 31st 2020 can you advise if PCC staff levels were changed</p>	<p>The OPCC staffing structure is freely available and published on the Northumbria Police &amp; Crime Commissioner website and in order to aid and assist you further a link to the relevant page is provided below:  <a href="http://www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk/v2/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/OPCC-Staff-Structure-21.pdf">http://www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk/v2/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/OPCC-Staff-Structure-21.pdf</a></p> <p>The Violence Reduction Unit has one police officer, co-located to the VRU team.</p> <p>The OPCC Chief Finance Officer is shared with Northumbria Police. The Northumbria Police complaints triage team (3 staff) are based in the OPCC but do not work to the PCC. The VRU has a Northumbria Police staff member on secondment from the force to the VRU, this post is funded through the Home Office VRU grant. A policy and communications officer from Northumbria Police is based in the OPCC.</p> <p>The overall projected staffing cost for the OPCC has not increased.</p> <p>The overall projected staffing cost for the OPCC has not increased. As with any organisation, the staffing structure is regularly reviewed to take in to account the demands of the OPCC, including national legislation changes and initiatives.</p>
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	<p>During the time period July 1st 2019 until July 31st 2020 if staff changes were made can you advise on what staff changes were made.</p> <p>Can you advise the cost of running the PCC office for the period July 2019 to July 2020.</p> <p>5. Can you advise the cost of running the PCC office for the period July 2019 to July 2020.</p> <p>6. i) Can you advise if the incumbent PCC has exchanged correspondence with any Labour Office or members of The Labour Party.</p>	<p>Due to the introduction of the Violence Reduction Unit, which received funding from the Home Office a number of fixed term staff were recruited, the current structure can be found on the OPCC website. As with any organisation, changes occur – but the overall projected staffing cost for the OPCC has not increased. Due to a restructure of management, the role of Director of Planning and Delivery was added</p> <p>The costs are set on a financial year and can be found on the OPCC website. <a href="http://www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk/transparency/finance/">http://www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk/transparency/finance/</a> The overall projected staffing cost for the OPCC has not increased.</p> <p>The OPCC staffing structure is freely available and published on the Northumbria Police &amp; Crime Commissioner website and in order to aid and assist you further a link to the relevant page is provided below:  <a href="http://www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk/v2/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/OPCC-Staff-Structure-21.pdf">http://www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk/v2/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/OPCC-Staff-Structure-21.pdf</a></p> <p>The costs are set on a financial year and the overall projected staffing cost for the OPCC has not increased, again the information can be found on the Northumbria Police &amp; Crime Commissioner website via the following link:  <a href="http://www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk/transparency/finance/">http://www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk/transparency/finance/</a></p> <p>The PCC corresponds with people of all political parties to address concerns that have been raised in relation to policing. The Commissioner has written to all councillors and MPs of all parties in relation to the Police and Crime consultation.</p> <p>Information Commissioners Office (ICO) guidelines state that:</p> <p>A public authority must confirm or deny whether it holds the information requested unless the cost of this alone would exceed the appropriate limit.</p>
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I can neither confirm nor deny that the information you require is held by Northumbria Police as to actually determine if it is held would exceed the permitted 18 hours therefore Section 12(2) of the Freedom of Information Act would apply. This section does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimated that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit of 18 hours, equating to £450.00.

You should consider this to be a refusal notice under Section 17 of the Act for your request.

I have set out the reasons for this below.

Your request asks '*..... has exchanged correspondence with any Labour Office or members of The Labour*'. This part of your request would require extensive manual searching of all written correspondence held by the PCC during the time period specified by your request to find, what if anything, fits the parameters of your request. We would also have to conduct a search of all the PCC's email accounts, as well as departmental mailboxes and basically any documents that have been compiled/sent/received over the period specified being located and manually reviewed to establish if any held any information in relation to this request. This cannot be achieved within the permitted 18 hours.

It should be noted that to conduct a search, specific to your request, on emails would entail the creation of reports to run from a number of different databases and sources, the adaptation of some systems to extract the information, manipulation of the reports, sorting, querying and collation the data etc. Therefore, we can neither confirm nor deny that we hold information within emails relevant to your request as "Manipulation of the raw data to produce the requested information would require levels of skill and judgement" - Johnson v ICO July 2007.

Therefore, Section 12(2) is fully applicable



	<p>ii) I request to see if she has always acted on behalf of impartiality politically and enquire if she or any other has returned the 5000 pounds to The Labour Party. If so and in what manner has she as PCC.</p> <p>7. If correspondence has been exchanged on what grounds.</p>	<p>This relates to all candidates and is a matter for the Police Authority Returning Area officer and Sunderland Council not the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner.</p> <p>As we are unable to extract the information requested at point 6 we are not able to offer a response to this point.</p>
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003/20	<p>I have been told by the OPCC that during reviews--police MIS conduct is NOT assessed - is that correct because I have read comments by him re other reviews citing #whilst I do not agree with the outcome #-clearly adjudicating police misconduct ?</p> <p>Is it correct that under local resolution, the police investigate themselves, protect themselves, and on review, you do nothing other than ensure they have "replied to complainant"?</p> <p>Can the police cite anything on their complaint replies and you do nothing as long as they have replied ?</p> <p>What is the projected cost of this Crime Commissioner Office to the public purse for this tax year ?</p> <p>Does the OPCC assess whether the MIS conduct test has been applied correctly by police or do police adjudicate themselves ?</p> <p>Provide link to your disclosure FOI log</p>	<p>To address the first part of your query we can confirm that each review is individual but every case looks at whether the complaint has been handled by Northumbria Police in a reasonable and proportionate manner.</p> <p>FOI gives access to actual recorded information. In response to this, there is no information held.</p> <p>FOI gives access to actual recorded information. In response to this, there is no information held.</p> <p>The projected cost for 2020/21 is £2.26m.</p> <p>The reviewing officer determines if the complaint has been dealt by Northumbria Police in a reasonable and proportionate manner.</p> <p>This is provided. Please note that the OPCC updates its disclosure log quarterly, the next update will be January 2021.</p>
004/20	As above 26102020.	

005/20	<p>I have been advised that OPCC does not assess the conduct of police, or their findings, only the proportionality of their investigation? Legally, which is it- because i have read comments re OPCC stating "whilst I do not "agree" with the outcome" re another review you conducted, but have been told OPCC review does not assess findings decisions?</p> <p><i>Direct to Regulations and or guidance OPCC relies upon when carrying out reviews of police?"</i></p>	<p>The role of the reviewing officer is to determine if Northumbria Police handled the original complaint in a reasonable and proportionate manner on a case by case basis. Statutory Guidance 18.29 – ‘An application for a review offers the opportunity to consider whether the complaint outcome is reasonable and proportionate and, if not, to put things right.....’</p> <p>18.32 – ‘ A review must consider whether the outcome of the investigation or other handling is reasonable and proportionate.....’</p> <p>Please see the Statutory Guidance on the Police complaints system which is available via the following link:  <a href="https://policeconduct.gov.uk/complaints-reviews-and-appeals/statutory-guidance">https://policeconduct.gov.uk/complaints-reviews-and-appeals/statutory-guidance</a></p>
006/20	As set out above 271020	
007/20	How many officers in the Northumbria force take part in hunting activity?	No information held. There is no requirement for this information to be recorded.

008/20	<p>With regards to the Office of Police and Crime Commissioner for Northumbria could you please kindly answer the questions below.</p> <p>Telephony System</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. What is your current telephony system?</li><li>2. How many users of the telephony system?</li><li>3. When is the contract up for renewal?</li><li>4. Are you considering or interested in Microsoft Teams Voice (Direct Routing)?</li><li>5. The name (separately) and email address of the primary contact for this contract?</li><li>6. Current annual spend?</li></ol> <p>Crown Commercial Services frameworks</p> <p>Do you procure through the Networks Services 2 framework? (RM3808 previously RM1045) If not, how do you procure telecommunication services/solutions?</p> <p>Mobile phone contracts</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Who is your current mobile phone provider?</li><li>2. How many mobile connections?</li><li>3. When is the contract up for renewal?</li></ol>	<p>As the information you have requested is accessible by other means I have not provided you with a copy of the information and will rely on Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. You should therefore consider this a refusal for your request.</p>
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	<p>4. How long do you contract for (24 or 36 months)?</p> <p>5. The name (separately) and email address of the primary contact for this contract?</p> <p>6. Current annual spend?</p> <p>Crown Commercial Services frameworks</p> <p>Do you procure through the Networks Services 2 framework? (RM3808 previously RM1045) If not, how do you procure mobiles services/solutions?</p> <p>With regards to the "mobile phone" part of your request you clarified that is was information regarding the larger contact that Northumbria Police have rather than the OPCC individual contact that you are seeking.</p>	
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<p>009/20</p>	<p>Can you please tell me where the £250,000 (approx) in grants paid so far this year from the Commissioners Community Fund comes from - is it from efficiency savings generated from the Police Budget or is there a specific ring-fenced source for this funding ?</p> <p>I notice that the previous PCC applied a £2000 limit on awards from that grant funding, the current PCC appears to have increased that limit to £5,000. Who authorised that 150% increase? Was the increase authorised by the PCC acting alone, or did it have to be approved by the Crime Panel and/or Internal Audit or External Auditors or some other bodies?</p> <p>Who chose the recipients of those grants? Was it the PCC acting alone, the crime Panel or Internal Audit or were there others involved? The Commissioning and Policy Team review all grant applications and undertake due diligence. Recommendations are put to the Police and Crime Commissioner, with rationale as to how the application meets the grant criteria. Final decisions are then made by the PCC. What is the procedure(s) for checking if those grants are spent effectively and are delivering value for money?</p>	<p>The OPCC has not administered a Commissioners Community Fund this year but has run a Coronavirus Response Fund which was funded using savings generated in the cost of the OPCC as compared to the cost of the previous police authority. The Coronavirus Response Fund was set up to support small and large charity and community organisations who are struggling to retain their offer of support to victims and vulnerable communities in light of the Coronavirus pandemic.</p> <p>Please be aware that the following answer relates only to the Coronavirus Response Fund, which is totally separate to the Commissioners Community Fund. The maximum bid value for the Coronavirus Response Fund was £5,000 – all grants awarded from the Coronavirus Response Fund and previous years Commissioners Community Fund can be found at <a href="http://www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk">www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk</a>. The PCC has the authority to make crime and disorder reduction grants at any level as outlined in the Police and Social Responsibility Act 2011.</p> <p>All grants are subject to strict monitoring procedures and recipients are expected to provide written evidence of their project delivery and expenditure at the end of the grant period in April 2021. All monitoring returns will be reviewed and scrutinised to ensure expectations around output, outcomes, expenditure and value for money have been met.</p>
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0010/20	<p>Were you lawfully allowed to undertake any action in relation to any complaint regarding the police if you were not a competent authority at the time?</p> <p>If you were please specify which legislation allows this apparently unlawful action.</p>	<p>The OPCC has no role in dealing with complaints against police officers and police staff, this remains under the remit of the Chief Constable and PSD. The only complaints the OPCC deal with are complaints against the Chief Constable, which the PCC is responsible for.</p> <p>The OPCC follows statutory guidance – <a href="https://www.policeconduct.gov.uk/sites/default/files/Documents/statutoryguidance/2020_statutory_guidance_english.pdf">https://www.policeconduct.gov.uk/sites/default/files/Documents/statutoryguidance/2020_statutory_guidance_english.pdf</a></p>
0011/20	<p>Can you advise precisely under the Freedom of Information exactly what the OPCC is referring to in his reply to me as per my request, as so far the PCC office has given me no information?</p>	<p>The information we have supplied to you is likely to contain intellectual property rights of Northumbria Police &amp; Crime Commissioner. Your use of the information must be strictly in accordance with the Copyright Designs and Patents Act 1988 (as amended) or such other applicable legislation. In particular, you must not re-use this information for any commercial purpose.</p> <p>"Intellectual Property Rights" All intellectual and industrial property rights of any kind whatsoever including patents, supplementary protection certificates, rights in Know-How, registered trade marks, registered designs, models, unregistered design rights, unregistered trade marks, rights to prevent passing off or unfair competition and copyright (whether in drawings, plans, specifications, designs and computer software or otherwise), database rights, topography rights, any rights in any invention, discovery or process, and applications for and rights to apply for any of the foregoing, in each case in the United Kingdom and all other countries in the world and together with all renewals, extensions, continuations, divisions, reissues, re-examinations and substitutions;</p> <p>Please note that the wording is standard wording at the bottom of every FOI response.</p> <p>Upon review in this case, the response does not contain intellectual property rights.</p>

0012/20	How many active staff from Northumbria Police Force, are actually also working for, and in the OPCC?	<p>3 members of staff -</p> <p>Violence Reduction Unit – Two Northumbria Police employees. Salary costs are covered by the grant from the Home Office to run the Violence Reduction Unit.</p> <p>Shared Communications and Policy Officer to which the OPCC pays towards the salary of the member of staff.</p>
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0013/20	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is Crime Commissioner's salary?</li> <li>2. What is Chief of Staff Monitoring salary?</li> <li>3. What is Director of Confidence Standards (as you define standards) and Statutory Appeals salary?</li> <li>5. Salary Chief Finance Officer?</li> <li>6. Salary Northumberland LCJB Business Manager?</li> <li>7. Salary of Director of Commissioning and Policy?</li> <li>8. Salary of Director of Planning and Delivery?</li> <li>9 Salary of Policy and Commissioning Manager?</li> <li>10. Salary of Digital Engagement Advisor?</li> <li>11. Salary of Executive Co -ordinator?</li> </ol>	<p>1-3, 5-11. As you may be aware there is a requirement that the OPCC must publish information on all salaries over £58,200. Therefore, As some of the information you have requested, at these points is accessible by other means I have not provided you with a copy of the information and will rely on Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. You should therefore consider this a refusal for those parts your request. I have provided an explanation to this exemption below.</p> <p><b>Section 21 (1) - Information accessible by other means</b> Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant is exempt information.</p> <p>This information has been asked for previously, released and is published on the OPCC website. In order to aid and assist you further we have provided the relevant link below: <a href="http://www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk/transparency/opcc/opcc-salaries/">http://www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk/transparency/opcc/opcc-salaries/</a></p> <p>As there is no requirement to publish salaries under £58,200, we will not be providing details of these and will rely on the following exemption:</p> <p><b>Section 40 (2) - Personal Information</b></p> <p>Section 40 (2) is a class based absolute exemption and there is no requirement to consider the public interest in disclosure. That being said where Section 40(2) is engaged in order to make the exemption absolute there needs to be evidence that a data protection principle would be breached by disclosure. In this case it would not be fair to process information which, we believe by providing all the information you have requested, could lead to the identification of an individual. Therefore the first principle of the Data Protection Act would be breached.</p> <p>A disclosure in this instance, because it is so specific, would infringe the first Data Protection Principle, in that it would be both unlawful and unfair. You should consider this to be a refusal for these parts of your request under section 17 of the Act.</p>
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*4. re job title in question 3, you cite Appeals , this job title does not hear any Appeals and has no Appeals powers over police, why have cited the wording Appeals?*

No information held – as you are seeking comment, rather than recorded information, hence this part of your request is not valid. However, outside of the Act we can advise that when researching this point it has come to light that the word “appeals” has been included in error. This will be amended to “reviews” when the document is next updated.

*12. As of 04/12/20 is your Non OPCC staff based within OPCC uptodate?*  
Regarding staff that are non OPCC staff – The Complaints Triage Team, though based in the OPCC they do not work for the OPCC. Any Northumbria Police staff who are seconded to the VRU, their salaries are paid back to Northumbria Police, so it is not a cost to Northumbria Police.

It may interest you to know that the OPCC staff structure is available on the OPCC website and there is a service level agreement which provides the statement of intent between Northumbria Police and Police and Crime Commissioner to work in partnership and to define an effective working relationship, to aid and assist you we have provided the relevant links below:

<https://www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk/v2/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/OPCC-Staff-Structure-21.pdf>  
<https://www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk/v2/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/Service-Level-Agreement.pdf>

014/20	<p>Please can you confirm the person responsible for IT/Information Security. Different organisations have different job titles for this responsibility, I've listed below the possible job titles:</p> <p>Manager or Head for IT, Cyber, Information Security, IT Security, Information Governance or CIO (Chief Information Officer) or CISO (Chief Information Security Officer)</p> <p>Please can you provide name, job title, email, direct phone number/mobile number.</p>	No information held. The OPCC does not have such roles.
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<p>0015/20</p>	<p>Have you heard of the Service SHOUT? <b>Yes / No</b></p> <p><b>If Yes, please tick one of the following boxes below detailing where you have heard of the service;</b>  Advertisement on the tv  Word of Mouth  Have received Marketing communications  Other (Please detail)</p> <p>Since the <b>beginning of the 2018/19 financial year</b>, have you commissioned or used (if free) any external provision to support individuals who may be anxious, stressed, depressed, suicidal or overwhelmed and who need immediate support? This can include provision delivered directly to targeted populations or universal services marketed and offered in your locality?  <b>Yes/No</b></p> <p>If <b>Yes</b>, please can you provide the following information about any external provision delivered since the beginning of the 2018/19 financial year;  What is the name of the provision?  Who is the provider?  What is the focus/ are the main issues addressed by the provision? (*E.g. Relationships, online safety; bullying; domestic abuse/ healthy relationships; self-esteem /resilience; mental health; anxiety and depression)</p>	<p>No information held. This is not asking for recorded information.</p> <p>As the information regarding all grants is accessible by other means I have not provided you with a copy of the information and will rely on Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. You should therefore consider this a refusal for those parts your request.</p> <p>I have provided an explanation to this exemption below.</p> <p><b>Section 21 (1) - Information accessible by other means</b></p> <p>Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant is exempt information.</p> <p>This information is freely available via the OPCC website, in order to aid and assist you further I have provided the relevant link below:  <a href="http://www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk/police-crime-plan/commissioning-services-grants/">http://www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk/police-crime-plan/commissioning-services-grants/</a></p>
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	<p>Who is the provision aimed at? (E.g. Children and Young People, adults, young offender, the locality population)</p> <p>How is the provision delivered? (E.g. group work, one to one work, marketing of support services, helpline etc.)</p> <p>Are there any target groups your current provision is unable to reach? (E.g. Young offender, children in care, secondary school, unemployed etc.)</p> <p>What is the annual cost of the provision?</p> <p>If you have an ongoing contract/licence for the provision, when does this end?</p> <p>3. Do you have an annual budget for external mental health support provision? <b>Yes/No</b></p> <p>If <b>yes</b>, how much is the budget and how is it split? (E.g. Cost of service delivery, marketing budget for new service)</p> <p>Since the <b>beginning of the 2018/19 financial year</b>, have you commissioned or used (if free) any external provision to train and support staff working with individuals who may be anxious, stressed, depressed, suicidal or overwhelmed and who need immediate support? This can include training for targeted populations or universal training within your locality? <b>Yes/No</b></p> <p>If <b>Yes</b>, please can you provide the following information about any training delivered since the beginning of the 2018/19 financial year;</p> <p>Who is the provider?</p>	
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	<p>What is the focus/ are the main issues addressed by the training? (*E.g. Healthy Relationships, online safety; bullying; domestic abuse/ healthy relationships; self-esteem /resilience; mental health; anxiety and depression).</p> <p>Who is the provision aimed at? (E.g. Children and Young People, adults, Young Offenders, the locality population)</p> <p>How is the provision delivered? (E.g. Face to Face training, e-learning, Virtual Training)</p> <p>What is the cost of the training?</p> <p>If you have an ongoing contract/licence for the training, when does this end?</p> <p>5. Are there any gaps in mental health support services that you feel Mental Health Innovations 'Shout' Text service could support? <b>Yes/No</b> <b>If Yes</b>, please detail:</p> <p>In response to points 2 to 5 - The OPCC for Northumbria works closely with Northumbria Police People Development to offer advice and relevant support depending on the staff member's needs.</p> <p>Are there any Grants the PCC offers for increase mental health support service provisions? <b>Yes/No</b> <b>If Yes</b>, please detail: What is the Grant? When is the grant available? What is the value of the grant?</p>	
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0016/20	<p>1: Can you advise and name how many charities the Incumbent Police Crime Commissioners office is/has supported since July 19th, 2019 until 29 December 2020.</p> <p>2: Can you advise and name as to the cost of all support to all charities the Police &amp; Crime Commissioners office has supported since July 19th, 2019 until 29 December 2020.”</p>	<p>The information asked for this request is available and accessible on the PCCs website - <a href="http://www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk/police-crime-plan/commissioning-services-grants/">http://www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk/police-crime-plan/commissioning-services-grants/</a></p>
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