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Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

I write in connection with your request for information, which was received by Nottinghamshire Police on 26/02/2015.

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Nottinghamshire Police to locate the information you require.

RESPONSE

Under S 1 (1) (a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), I can confirm that Nottinghamshire Police does hold the information you have requested.

Please find below answers to your questions:-

1) How many people are there currently employed in the department which handles communication/media relations?

14

2) What are their posts/job titles and pay grade.

Temporary Head of Corporate Communication Grade CO2
Media Services Manager Grade M2
Public Engagement Manager Grade M2
Media Relations Officer Grade P2
Social and Digital Engagement Officer Grade P2
Public Engagement Officer Grade P2
Events coordinator Grade P4
Online content coordinator Grade P3

3) How many people were employed in this department in 2010?

19

4) Is this number expected to increase or decrease over the next three years?

Currently in consultation.

5) Are there any warranted police officers currently working in the communications/media relations department?

No

a. If yes, how many and what are their job titles

N/A

b. If not, when was the last time a warranted officer was employed/worked in communications/media relations.

2009/2010 Superintendent as Head of Communications.

6) Has the position of head of the communications/media relations department ever been held by a warranted police officer? If so, when was this?

As above

7) What is the budget for the communications/media relations department for 2013/2014 and 2015/2016?

Nottinghamshire Police have recently responded to a Freedom of Information request on this subject which is available to view on our Disclosure Log at the following link:

<http://www.nottinghamshire.police.uk/sites/default/files/documents/files/FOI%20000369%2015.pdf>

This information is therefore exempt from disclosure under Section 21 of the Act: Information Reasonably Accessible by other means.

This letter constitutes a refusal notice under Section 17 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 with Section 21(1) of the act being applied.

21. – (1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1) –

- a) information may be reasonably accessible to the applicant even though it is accessible only on payment, and
- b) information is to be taken to be reasonably accessible to the applicant if it is information which the public authority or any other person is obliged by or under any enactment to communicate (otherwise than by making the information available for inspection) to members of the public on request, whether free of charge or on payment.

(3) For the purposes of subsection (1), information which is held by a public authority and does not fall within subsection (2) b) is not to be regarded as reasonably accessible to the applicant merely because the information is available from the public authority itself on request, unless the information is made available in accordance with the authority's publication scheme and any payment required is specified in, or determined in accordance with, the scheme.

There is no information yet held for 2015/2016 financial year.

8) Is the budget expected to increase or decrease over the next three years?

The 2016 budget is not yet set but is expected to be lower.

Complaints Rights

Your attention is drawn to the enclosed review procedure, which details your right of complaint.

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in Nottinghamshire Police.

Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter, please write or contact the Freedom of Information Officer on telephone number 0115 9672507 or e-mail freedomofinformation@Nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

Disclosure Office

Are you dissatisfied with your response?

Nottinghamshire Police has a duty to implement a complaints process in relation to Freedom of Information Act requests. If you are not content with our response, you may appeal, this process is known as an 'Internal Review'

Internal reviews are intended to be a fair and impartial means of reviewing the original request process.

You can appeal about your request if you:-

- Disagree with the Forces interpretation of your request;
- Believe the Force hold more information than has been disclosed to you;
- Disagree with the application of exemptions;

How do I appeal?

All appeals should be made in writing and sent to:-

Information Management
Nottinghamshire Police
Force Headquarters
Sherwood Lodge
Arnold
Notts
NG5 8PP

or alternatively freedomofinformation@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk

To deal with your appeal as quickly as possible please provide the unique identification number provided with your response and the reasons for your appeal.

Once we have received your request for appeal, your FOI response will be reviewed in full to identify any problems in the disclosure.

The review will be undertaken by someone different from, and preferably senior to, the original decision maker and this should be completed within 20 working days from receipt, in exceptional circumstances it may be extended by a further 20 working days.

What if I'm still not satisfied?

You can appeal to the Information Commissioner. You can contact the Information Commissioner Office at the following:-

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Tel: 0303 123 1113 (local rate) or 01625 545 745 (national rate)

E-mail: casework@ico.org.uk