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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 07/04/2013.

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

Please find below answers to your questions:-

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.

Could you tell me how much your police force has paid out in compensation for injuries to its employees? This includes everyone employed by your police force, including police officers and civilian employees.

Please could you provide me with the following details for each of the calendar years (running January 1 - December 31) of 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012:

1) How many claims for compensation were made to your police force.

The number of claims for compensation processed by Nottinghamshire Police between 1 January 2007 and 31 December 2012 was 90.



- 2) How much was paid out for each claim by your police force.
- 3) What claims have not yet been settled.
- 4) The date each claim was made.
- 5) The reason the claim was made, i.e. what injury was suffered.

For Answers to Questions 2 – 5 please see the table below.

*Please Note: We do not record the date the claim was made, we record the date the incident was said to have occurred.

Date of Incident for Claim	Open/ Closed	Reason for claim	Amount paid to date
04/01/2007	C	Police dog bit claimant	£7,500
05/01/2007	C	Injury to leg knee and hip due to car that he was getting into pulling away before he was fully in car	£7,500
10/01/2007	C	Fall over photocopying paper which was in the corridor	£8,130
24/01/2007	C	Punctured wounds to right forearm due to dog attack	£12,500
02/02/2007	C	Strained shoulder due training session	£15,000
09/02/2007	C	Knocked off balance while coming down cellar stairs which caused injury to back	£0
11/04/2007	C	Slipped on ice in loading bay and injured back	£43,000
03/05/2007	C	Slip on leaves in car park	£0
21/08/2007	C	Fall on stairs	£0
27/09/2007	C	Fall down stairs while on duty	£0
01/10/2007	C	Slipped on steps due to liquid spill	£0
09/10/2007	C	Injury caused whilst ridding a horse during training.	£0
15/10/2007	C	Injury from falling kit bag	£6,300
15/10/2007	C	Bitten by police dog while property was being searched	£8,050
16/11/2007	C	Fall off chair and injured back	£18,400
20/11/2007	C	Slipped on wet floor while on duty	£19,134
01/12/2007	C	Fall in rut in yard	£19,300
16/12/2007	C	Slipped on oil in car park	£17,750
			£182,564
14/02/2008	O	Ergonomic injury	£4,500
23/04/2008	C	Stress caused due to difficulties at work	£0
21/05/2008	C	Lifting wardrobe suffered injury	£0
27/06/2008	C	Slipped on a wet floor	£0
28/06/2008	C	Injury at work	£0
10/07/2008	C	Injury due to uneven surface	£0
10/07/2008	C	Fall due to slippery surface	£0
18/07/2008	C	Injury caused by fall from faulty chair.	£3,800
12/08/2008	C	Slipped on empty bottle in car park	£4,450
12/08/2008	C	Falling battery caused personal injury	£5,775
24/08/2008	C	Lifting cabinet suffered injury	£6,500
17/09/2008	C	Needle prick whilst searching premises	£7,000
24/09/2008	C	Burnt with hot water that was spilt	£7,450
01/10/2008	C	Dog bite	£8,175

09/10/2008	C	Injury while training	£9,955
15/10/2008	C	Injuries to groin area. Ongoing pain	£0
10/11/2008	C	Back injury caused due to faulty car seat.	£10,500
21/11/2008	C	Burnt by boiling water	£10,615
05/12/2008	C	Slipped in car park on the way to his car on snow and ice	£13,460
			£92,180
05/02/2009	C	Steering wheel collapsed into the dashboard and sustained injury	£14,600
07/02/2009	C	Injury to right arm	£7,375
12/02/2009	C	Injury falling of bike	£0
17/02/2009	C	Injury to knee while moving heavy boxes	£19,820
23/04/2009	C	Fell on slippery path & injured arm on wooden stake	£27,506
27/04/2009	C	Disease claim	£0
30/04/2009	C	Injury to Officers crown	£0
17/06/2009	C	Speaker blew up, causing ear injury	£0
12/08/2009	C	Injury at work	£0
15/10/2009	C	Psychological injury	£0
16/10/2009	C	Psychological injury	£0
29/10/2009	C	Fell over debris- Ruined shoes	£50
02/12/2009	C	Dog bite	£3,485
04/12/2009	C	Police dog bit police man	£3,628
09/12/2009	C	Fell off bicycle	£6,050
			£82,514
13/01/2010	C	Fell on steps suffering injury	£7,675
13/01/2010	C	Fell over ramp suffering injury	£7,711
06/02/2010	C	Wheeling chair across room, fell and suffered injury	£9,469
16/02/2010	O	Injury from falling off bicycle	£0
28/02/2010	O	Hurt back	£1,000
28/02/2010	C	Tripped over rucked up blankets laid across the floor which apprehending criminal	£16,610
01/03/2010	C	Head injury/pain in lumbar spine/soft tissue damage	£0
01/03/2010	C	Fall on loose carpet	£0
18/03/2010	O	Fell over hurt	£5,000
16/04/2010	C	Police Dog bit Policeman	£17,826
30/04/2010	O	Slipped in police station car park while riding bicycle	£0
01/05/2010	C	Dispute re recovery fee	£150
16/05/2010	C	Loss of property	£0
06/06/2010	O	Accident in police vehicle	£0
06/07/2010	O	Ongoing wrist sprain	£0
10/08/2010	C	Vehicle (unmanned) hit employee	£7,800
17/08/2010	O	Fractured hip following slip on ice	£0
26/08/2010	C	Dislocated right shoulder	£0
14/10/2010	O	Fell over	£0
23/10/2010	O	Injured whilst avoiding attack by detainee	£0
07/11/2010	C	Slipped on black ice causing injury	£11,000
06/12/2010	C	Fell on step	£0
28/12/2010	O	Assault by offender	£0
			£84,241
18/01/2011	O	Fell down open manhole	£0
01/04/2011	C	Dog bite	£0

03/04/2011	O	Trauma to teeth/injury to back/spine	£0
10/05/2011	C	Unlawful arrest/detention of police officer	£0
10/05/2011	O	Bitten by police dog due to negligence of officer	£5,500
13/05/2011	O	Injury to right shoulder during UDT	£0
07/06/2011	O	Damage to forearm ligaments	£0
27/07/2011	O	Claim for musculo-skeletal injury and psychiatric injury	£0
15/12/2011	O	Injury caused by faulty chair	£0
			£5,500
08/03/2012	O	Bitten by member of public's dog whilst executing warrant	£0
14/03/2012	O	Back Injury	£0
22/03/2012	O	Dog bite - PD Blade	£0
12/05/2012	O	File opened, claim repudiated, file closed.	£0
26/10/2012	O	Broken toe from dropped Enforcer	£0
17/10/2012	O	Soft tissue injury to back - fell off unstable chair at work	£0
			£0

6) The total number of claims

As above

7) The total amount paid out by your police force in each of the years specified above.

Year	Total paid
2007	£182,564
2008	£92,180
2009	£82,514
2010	£84,241
2011	£5,500
2012	£0

8) How many compensation claims were refused by your police force, and the reasons for doing so - in other words, how many claims did you police decide not to pay compensation for, and why.

We do not hold this information in a retrievable format and so would be unable to state why any claims were refused by Nottinghamshire Police. We can however say that claims that have been listed as "C" for closed within the above table and show a total of "£0" paid to date would have been claims which were refused. The total number of these is 27.

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 Officer

Are you dissatisfied with your response?

If so, prior to lodging a formal complaint, you are welcome and encouraged to discuss the decision with the case officer that dealt with your request.

Ask to have the decision looked at again

The quickest and easiest way to have the decision reconsidered is to telephone the case officer that is identified at the end of your decision letter.

That person will be able to discuss the decision, explain any issues and assist with any problems.

Formal Independent Review

If you are dissatisfied with the handling procedures or the decision made by Nottinghamshire Police under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, you can request an Independent Review.

Upon receipt for a review of the initial request response, an independent audit officer from Information Management will review the request and assess whether it has been satisfactorily processed in accordance with policy and procedure.

Requests for Independent Reviews requests should be made in writing to-

Force Information Manager
Nottinghamshire Police
Force Headquarters
Sherwood Lodge
Arnold
Nottingham
NG5 8PP

The Audit officer will record and communicate his/her decision to the information requester within 20 working days.

Appeals

If the findings of the formal independent review do not meet your approval, you can register an appeal against the decision.

An investigation will then take place by the Freedom of Information officer, which will be reported and presented to the Internal Appeal Board. This will include a full account of the reasoning for or against disclosure and the application of any relevant exemptions.

The Internal Appeal Board will consist of at least a member of the Chief Officer Team, a member of the Legal Team and the Force Information Manager.

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Alternatively E-mail: Freedomofinformation@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk

Or call: 01159672507

Applications to the Information Commissioner

If you then remain dissatisfied, you may make an application to the Information Commissioner for a decision on whether the request for information has been dealt with in accordance with the requirements of the Act.

For information on how to make an application to the Information Commissioner, please visit their website at www.informationcommisioner.gov.uk

Alternatively, Write to:

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

Or call: 01625 545700.