



west midlands
police and crime
commissioner

Freedom of Information Act 2000

Your e-mail requesting a variety of information has been safely received in this office. For the sake of clarity I am listing your requests with relevant information set out beneath in emboldened text.

Using FOI Act 2000 legislation you asked for:

- ***“All costs associated with the Police and Crime Commissioner’s expenses”***

Please note that the Commissioner’s expenses are published and can be found on the website here: www.westmidlands-pcc.gov.uk/transparency/about-the-office-of-the-west-midlands-police-and-crime-commissioner/salary-and-expenses-information/expenses-information-2018

- ***“All costs associated with the Police and Crime Commissioner’s spending on Travel and meals”***

The link included above provides published information regarding expenditure on the Commissioner’s travel and meals.

- ***“All costs associated with the employment of Political Advisers”***

None. Political Advisers are not employed by the OPCC.

- ***“All financial detail of spending reserves”***

Please see link to the website where you will find the Reserves Strategy: www.westmidlands-pcc.gov.uk/transparency/budgetary-and-financial-information/reserves-strategy/

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- ***“All information, including spending and detail of training days for PCC staff”***

Expenditure by the OPCC on training courses and materials in 2017/18 was £32,394.

- ***“All information relating to the detail and cost of policing individual events”***

This information is not held by this office. You may wish to direct this question to West Midlands Police whose contact details are shown below:

Freedom of Information Unit

West Midlands Police
PO Box 52, Lloyd House
Colmore Circus Queensway
Birmingham
B4 6NQ
E-mail: foi@west-midlands.police.uk

- *“All costs related to PCC inauguration events”*

Election costs are dealt with via Birmingham City Council Elections Office. There is no associated cost to the OPCC.

- *“Full detail on the PCC’s calendar of meetings and events”*

You have not stated a timeframe with regard to this part of your request and I must take into account the possibility of exemption S12 (1) if to comply with the request will exceed a set limit known as the appropriate limit.

As you are aware, Section 12 (1) of the FOIA is a provision which allows a public authority to refuse to comply with a request for information where the cost of compliance is estimated to exceed the appropriate limit. In an attempt to assist you, might I suggest that you identify a six month period which would provide you with an idea of the Commissioner’s daily commitments eg January – June 2018 inclusive? Perhaps you would let me know.

Yours sincerely

**Mark Kenyon
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