

Freedom of Information Act request

Your e-mail requesting certain information using Freedom of Information Act 2000 legislation has been received in this office.

You specifically requested:

“ . . . all information relating to the closure and sale of Sutton Coldfield Police Station. This should include:

- ***Any correspondence in relation to the new contact office between the PCC, West Midlands Police and West Midlands Fire Service.***
- ***Any correspondence to staff at Sutton Coldfield Police Station in relation to the closure and their new location***
- ***Any correspondence to KWB in relation to surveying and sale of the property***
- ***Any correspondence to any other commercial property agents in relation to surveying and sale of the property***
- ***All responses sent to residents in reply to concerns or questions about the closure of the station***
- ***All responses sent to our MP Andrew Mitchell, any Sutton Coldfield City Councillors or Sutton Coldfield Town Councillors in response to concerns or questions regarding the closure of the Station.***
- ***Any press releases in relation to the closure***
- ***A copy of all orders for new office furniture/lockers/ equipment for the new contact office.***
- ***Minutes from any meetings that have taken place to discuss the closure of Sutton Coldfield Police Station.***
- ***Breakdown of costs incurred for the new contact office***
- ***Future monthly cost projection for the running of the new contact office***
- ***Details of staff and duties plus proposed opening hours at the new contact office.***

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- ***Details of where the response teams will now be sited.***
- ***Listed building details for Sutton Coldfield Police Station (if any)***
- ***Breakdown of sale price for all properties on the land known as Sutton Coldfield Police Station”***

I should advise that this office does not hold the majority of the information you are seeking.

I can provide you with a copy of a press release from 16 February 2018 and that is enclosed with this letter.

In addition, as of 28 February (the date of your enquiry) there had been exchanges of correspondence with various people on this matter. However, in accordance with FOI legislation it is essential to have sought permission to share copies of letters sent to individuals, even if their personal details have been redacted. Contact has been made with the recipients in question but to date only 5 have confirmed that they are willing to share copies of the letters sent to them. I attach those copies with this letter.

The remainder of your request may be better raised with the West Midlands Police FOI Unit who can be contacted at:

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

Alternatively, I can forward your request but I will need you to confirm that is what you wish me to do.

Separate to your actual request, but which may be of interest, the future of police buildings (Police Estate) was discussed at the Strategic Policing and Crime Board meeting held on 20 March 2018. In addition, petitions were presented and a question asked by Cllr Claire Horrocks. This meeting was webcast live and may wish to watch the discussion. I am including a link as this may be helpful to you: <https://westmidspcc.public-i.tv/core/portal/webcasts>

Meanwhile, your attention is drawn to the fact that, in accordance with the Police and Crime Commissioner's review procedure, you do have a right to request an internal review. Details of the procedure are attached to this letter. Any appeal should be submitted within 6 months of the date of this letter.

Yours sincerely

Mark Kenyon
Deputy Chief Executive

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