

**Please ask for :** Alethea Fuller  
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**Our Reference:** 2024-00592  
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Date: 24/07/2024

Dear FOI Applicant,

Thank you for your freedom of information request received in this office on **25 June** 2024, in which you asked:

1. *'When are you next going through an audit of the national fraud initiative?'*
2. *'What current procedures do you have in place such as confirmation of payee against fraud?'*
3. *'What is your current confirmation of payee software incumbent product & the renewal date of the contract.'*

On 05 July, you clarified your request, and we have based our response on the following:

*'What date is it you're next going through the data matching exercise of the national fraud initiative?'*

In response to your request, I can confirm that the NFI exercise is undertaken every two years. The OPCC are due to submit data to the Cabinet Office in October 2024 and the data matches will be released by Cabinet Office around January-February 2025.

### **Freedom of Information Right of Appeal**

Any person who has requested information from the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) and is unhappy with the way their request for information has been handled can request a review of their case.

A request for review must be made in writing by letter or email. You should include the reference number of your request if you have it, and outline why you are requesting the review to:

Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner  
Lloyd House  
Birmingham  
B4 6NQ

Telephone: 0121 626 6060  
Email: [wmpcc@west-midlands.pnn.police.uk](mailto:wmpcc@west-midlands.pnn.police.uk)

All requests for review will be recorded. Receipt of a request for internal review will be acknowledged and the appellant informed of an estimated date for determining the outcome. The OPCC will attempt to respond to internal reviews as soon as practicable and in any case within two months.

All investigations will be undertaken by someone not involved in the original response.

The result of any internal review will be communicated to the appellant outlining the decisions taken.

If you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

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

Telephone: 08456 30 60 60 or 01625 54 57 45

Website: [www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk)

There is no charge for making a request for internal review or appeal to the Information Commissioner.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A Fuller', enclosed in a thin black rectangular border.

Alethea Fuller  
Deputy Chief Executive