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Dear Mr Martin,

Freedom Of Information Request 11/10/172

I write in connection to your request received on 16 October 2011:

How many Employees of the RSPCA, or individuals working on behalf of the RSPCA are authorised by your Police Force to make PNC, STORM or other information/data enquiries on all or any systems you operate. Please specify if these individuals have direct or indirect access to such information and systems. Please also specify which information systems they have access to.

Kent Police does not authorise any employee of the RSPCA or individuals working on behalf of the RSPCA to make PNC, STORM or any other enquiries on any system that Kent Police operates. Employees and individuals working on behalf of the RSPCA do not have direct access to any system or information held by Kent Police.

Should the RSPCA require Kent Police to share specific information with them in order to support a 'policing purpose', defined as, "protecting life and property, preserving order, preventing the commission of offences, bringing offenders to justice and any duty or responsibility of the police arising from common or statute law" then there is policy and legislation which supports this. Information relating to this can be found within Kent Police Policy D14, Appendix B which is available to view at: http://www.kent.police.uk/about_us/policies/d/d14.html.

Thank you for your interest in Kent Police. If you have any further queries concerning your request, or the application of the Freedom of Information Act in general, please contact this office quoting the reference number shown above.

Yours sincerely,

**Charlotte Pickin
Freedom of Information Administrator**

Your right to complain

We take our responsibilities under the Freedom of Information Act seriously but, if you feel your request has not been properly handled or you are otherwise dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, you have the right to complain. We will conduct an internal review to investigate the matter and endeavor to reply within 20 working days. If your appeal concerns the decision to apply an exemption, it would assist the review if you would outline why you believe the exemption does not apply.

You may lodge your complaint by writing to:

Freedom of Information
Kent Police Headquarters
Sutton Road,
Maidstone
Kent
ME15 9BZ

Or by e-mailing freedomofinformation@kent.pnn.police.uk

If you are still dissatisfied following our internal review, you have the right under section 50 of the Act to complain directly to the Information Commissioner. Before considering your complaint, the Information Commissioner would normally expect you to have exhausted the complaints procedures provided by Kent Police.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

FOI Compliance Team (complaints)
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
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