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4th March 2018

Internal Review reference 000528/18

I write in connection with your request for an internal review of the response to your request for information as follows:-

I am writing to request an internal review of Norfolk Constabulary's handling of my FOI request 'Anti-social behaviour patrols - Police Cadets'.

You claim in your response that Norfolk Police Cadets do not carry out ASB patrols yet on 11th January 2018 A/Insp Mick Andrew claimed via a social media post on Twitter;

"Thetford Police Cadets heading out on ASB patrols of the town centre @BrecklandPolice @NorfolkPolice #community"

This link confirms the social media post and I have a screenshot of the tweet should someone choose to delete it although it currently remains on Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/SgtMAndrew/status/951536342823030789>

Please now reconsider your response in light of the claims made by one of your officers.

I can advise that a review has been conducted by Mr John McGuire, the Information Compliance Manager, who was independent of the original FOI decision making process. Mr McGuire has made the following comments:-

The Review

The Internal Review has been requested as the information provided in response to the FOI appears to be have been contradicted by a Tweet published by an Officer. As part of this review I contacted the Officer who 'Tweeted', asking if he was aware of any information that contradicted the original FOI response and in fact the Constabulary does hold information in relation to Police Cadets performing Anti-Social Behaviour Patrols.

The Officer has responded confirming that the original response was correct, that Norfolk Police Cadets do not carry out Anti-Social Behaviour patrols. Any confusion or contradiction has been caused through the wording of the 'Tweet' due to the limited number of characters to use. The Officer wanted to reflect the good work that the Police Cadets were doing but the 'patrols' undertaken were not in the same context of Anti-Social Behaviour patrols that Police Officers undertake.

Conclusion

After conducting the Internal Review my decision is to uphold the original decision. The information provided in response to the original FOI request was accurate and has been provided by the appropriate department who would retain the information.

If you are not satisfied with our response, please refer to our review procedure (copy enclosed) for further information on what to do next.

Yours sincerely,

Amanda Gibson
Freedom of Information Department

A full copy of the Freedom of Information Act (2000) can be viewed on the 'Office of Public Sector Information' web-site;
<http://www.opsi.gov.uk/>

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Freedom of Information Act (2000).

The Information Commissioner.

After lodging a request for a review with the Norfolk Constabulary, if you are still dissatisfied with the decision, you can apply 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 application to the Information Commissioner please visit their website at www.ico.org.uk or contact them at the address shown below:

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