

FOI ref no: SCO/FOI/23/2020

Date: 12 June 2020

By Email: [request-667068-a762df1a@whatdotheyknow.com](mailto:request-667068-a762df1a@whatdotheyknow.com)

Dear Mr Anderson,

**Freedom of Information request: reference SCO/FOI/23/2020, first notified to us by email on the 26 May 2020.**

**Staffordshire Commissioner's Office response to your enquiry is as follows:**

I can confirm that the Staffordshire Commissioner's Office does hold part of the requested information.

- 1. Was the PCC aware of the allegations contained within the article before receiving this FIO request.**  
No however, the Commissioner's office was aware of the information contained within the article.
- 2. Has the PCC or his office ever employed or funded a post of MHC for Staffordshire Police.**  
The PCC or his office has never employed or funded a post of MHC for Staffordshire Police. I can confirm that when this post was created in 2016 it was incorrectly allocated a PCC email address by our IT provider, Boeing. This error was identified by our HR department but unfortunately, not rectified until July 2017.
- 3. Has the PCC or his office ever provided an email address for use by the MHC? if so provide the dates the email was used by the MHC.**  
No, please see response to question 2.
- 4. If the answer to (2) is yes, please provide the dates any such post started and ended.**  
No response provided as the answer to question 2 is no.
- 5. If the answer to (2) is yes, please provide a copy of the job description for the post and a copy of any notice or bulletin inviting applicants to apply**  
No response provided as the answer to question 2 is no.
- 6. If the answer to (2) is yes, please outline clearly who was responsible for the management and oversight of the MHC.**  
No response provided as the answer to question 2 is no.
- 7. If the answer to (1) is yes, has the PCC initiated any investigation into the actions of the MHC.**  
No as the member of staff was not employed or funded by the Commissioner's office.

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- 8. If the answer to (2) is yes, please confirm whether the individual holding the post of MHC at the time of the alleged breaches of the DPA remains in the employment of the PCC or Staffordshire Police.**

No response provided as the answer to question 2 is no.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of this email and should be addressed to:

Compliance Manager  
Staffordshire Commissioner's Office  
Block 9, Staffordshire Police HQ  
Stafford  
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Or emailed to: [FOI.PFCC@staffordshire-pfcc.pnn.gov.uk](mailto:FOI.PFCC@staffordshire-pfcc.pnn.gov.uk).

Please remember to quote the reference number in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

**Freedom of Information Decision Maker**

**On behalf of the Staffordshire Commissioner for Police, Fire and Rescue, Crime**