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Dear Mr Salmon,

Thank you for your letter of 31 July, in which you ask for information in relation to Operation Herne, the investigation into the Special Demonstration Squad (SDS). Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am able to disclose the following information. In terms of the annual costs of Operation Herne, these are as follows:

<u>Financial Year</u>	<u>Cost</u>
2013/14	£237k
2014/15	£509k
2015/16	£689k
2016/17	£240k (estimated cost for 2016/17, as final figures are not yet available)

With regard to your query on how many Home Office staff have been seconded to work on this investigation, I can confirm that no Home Office staff have been seconded to work on Operation Herne.

I hope that this information meets your requirements. I would like to assure you that we have provided you with all relevant information that the Home Office holds.

Yours sincerely

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