



Freedom Of Information

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Dear Ms Makepeace

Thank you for your request for information, received by West Yorkshire Police on 14/03/17.

You requested the following information:

I am researching into how the increase of cybercrime rates has influenced budgets given to the cybercrime/security units within different public bodies. Therefore, please can you inform me, where possible, what the budget has been for this unit within your organisation annually from 2006 onwards? In addition, if this budget has been used for anything substantial that year (for example the addition of a high tech crime lab or a specific cybercrime project etc.) please could this information be included?

Please see the table below showing the Cyber Crime budget since 2014/15. The team was not captured independently prior to this time.

Year	Budget
2014/15	£29,520
2015/16	£291,088
2016/17	£354,253

In addition the below investments have been made during 2016/17:

Cyber Equipment - £9,700
Cyber Trainer - £67,128 (2 years funding)
Cyber Crime external training - £42,590
Cyber threat awareness in-house training - £10,000

West Yorkshire Police's dedicated Cyber Crime Team were established in 2015. The team consist of a Detective Inspector, Detective Sergeant, an Analyst and 6 Cyber Crime Officers. The Cyber Crime Team sit under the Protective Services Department.

Every investigation undertaken by West Yorkshire Police has the potential to involve an element of Cyber Crime. As such the force has invested heavily in training staff across the Force to ensure the cyber aspect of crime is embedded into everyday policing. Over 500 staff have now been trained through the Mainstream Cyber Crime Course and Open Source Course which give staff the skills to complete

investigations which may involve a cyber or online element. Cyber Crime training is also delivered to all new Officer Recruits joining West Yorkshire Police.

COMPLAINT RIGHTS

If you are not satisfied with how this request has been handled or with the information provided, please read the advice notice attached to this letter. If you do wish to take up your right of complaint, please remember to quote the reference number above, in any future correspondence.

Yours sincerely,

Gemma Burton
Disclosure Officer

COMPLAINT RIGHTS

1. Are you unhappy with how your request has been handled or you think the decision is incorrect?

You have the right to request that West Yorkshire Police review their decision. Prior to lodging a formal complaint, we encouraged that you discuss the decision with the case officer that has dealt with your request.

2. Ask to have the decision looked at again

The quickest and easiest way to have the decision looked at again, is to telephone the case officer that is nominated at the end of your decision letter. That person will be able to discuss the decision, explain any issues and assist with any problems.

3. Complaint

If you are dissatisfied with the handling procedures or the decision of West Yorkshire Police, made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding access to information, you can lodge a written complaint to have the decision internally reviewed.

A West Yorkshire Police internal review of your decision, will be carried out by a senior member of staff who is fully trained in interpreting Freedom of Information legislation. The review will be independent conducted, regardless to the original decision made.

Complaints will only be treated as valid, if they are received by West Yorkshire Police within a 60 day timeframe from the date of the decision letter. They must include the original FOI Reference Number and can only be submitted in writing, by using the following contact details:

foi@westyorkshire.pnn.police.uk

or

West Yorkshire Police
FOI Internal Reviews
PO Box 9
Laburnum Road
Wakefield
WF1 3QP

In all possible circumstances, West Yorkshire Police will aim to complete and respond to your internal review within 20 working days. However this date may be extended in exceptional circumstances, by another 20 working days.

4. The Information Commissioner

If you are still dissatisfied with the internal review decision, made by West Yorkshire Police. You can then make an application 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.gov.uk

Alternatively, you can phone their helpline or write to them at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
FOI Help Line: 0303 1231113