



Freedom Of Information

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Dear Jamie Webster,

Thank you for your request for information, received by West Yorkshire Police on 05/12/16.

You requested the following information:

1) Are any members of West Yorkshire police issued with Naloxone as part of their first aid kit and if so are they trained in how to use it?

West Yorkshire Police do not have any members that are issued with Naloxone as part of their first aid kit.

2) If some members of West Yorkshire police are issued with Naloxone as part of their first aid kit and training, approximately what percentage of West Yorkshire police officers carry the drug and are trained to use it?

Not applicable.

3) If some but not all members of West Yorkshire police are issued with Naloxone and trained to use it, what criteria is used to decide which officers or policing teams are issued the drug and trained to use it? Are there some policing areas where it is used and some where it isn't - if so, in which policing areas is it currently in use?

Not applicable.

4) If Naloxone is currently not issued to any members of West Yorkshire police and/or they are not trained in its proper use, have there been any discussions about changing this - for example introducing Naloxone as part of the standard first aid kit members of West Yorkshire police carry, or introducing it to a certain percentage of officers, certain policing teams, etc?

The use of Naloxone was considered and trialled in custody suits by externally provided nurses, not Police Staff, however this was not adopted.

5) If the answer to question 4 is no, is this something you are willing to consider in future?

Not applicable.

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,

Shaun Smith
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
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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