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Kevin Blowe

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Dear Mr Blowe

I am writing with reference to your request for information, dated 4th October 2013, regarding the deployment of "police liaison officers" at marches and protests made under section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act. The information you requested was as follows;

Please could you provide me with documents produced and / or owned by the College of Policing that represent national guidance to police services on the deployment of "police liaison officers" deployed at marches and protests?

Please could you also provide a list of the police services that have, to date, sent officers for training to become "police liaison officers" and the number of officers who have so far completed this training?

Please see our response below

The guidance provided to forces regarding the deployment of Police Liaison Officers is contained in the Public Order Authorised Professional Practice which was made publicly available on 24th October. This is available at www.app.college.police.uk

Please see below police services that have sent officers for training and the number of officers that have completed the training to date.

Police Force	Numbers Trained
Cheshire	15
Derbyshire	3
Essex	12
GMP	37
Hertfordshire	12
Humberside	6
Isle Of Mann	2
Kent	13

Lancashire	16
Leicestershire	2
Merseyside	1
North Wales	5
North Yorkshire	3
Northumbria	14
South Wales	28
South Yorkshire	40
Strathclyde	3
Suffolk	1
Sussex	45
Thames Valley	3
West Midlands	35

Forces licensed to deliver Police Liaison Officer (PLO) Training are;

MPS
Kent Constabulary
Avon and Somerset Constabulary
South Yorkshire Police
Bedfordshire Police
West Midlands Police
Greater Manchester Police

Your right to complain

We take our responsibilities under the Freedom of Information Act seriously but, if you feel your request has not been properly handled or you are otherwise dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, you have the right to complain. We will investigate the matter and endeavour to reply within 20 working days. You should write to:

C/O FOI Team
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E-mail: FOI.InternalReviews@college.pnn.police.uk

If you are still dissatisfied following our internal review, you have the right, under section 50 of the Act, to complain directly to the Information Commissioner. Before considering your complaint, the Information Commissioner would normally expect you to have exhausted the complaints procedures provided by the College. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

FOI Compliance Team (complaints)
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Further information about the College is routinely published on our website at www.college.police.uk or through our publication scheme. If you require any further assistance in connection with this request please contact us at our address above.

Yours sincerely,

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