COMPLAINT RIGHTS

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

You have the right to require the Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner for North Yorkshire to review their decision.

Prior to lodging a formal complaint you are welcome and encouraged to discuss the decision with the case officer that dealt with your request.

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.

Complaint

If you are dissatisfied with the handling procedures or the decision of the North Yorkshire Police made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act) regarding access to information you can lodge a complaint with the Police & Crime Commissioner for North Yorkshire to have the decision reviewed. The Police & Crime Commissioner for North Yorkshire must be notified of your intention to complain within 2 months of the date of its response to your Freedom of Information request.

Complaints should be made in writing and addressed to: The Police & Crime Commissioner for North Yorkshire PO Box 106 Ripon HG4 5WA

In all possible circumstances The Police & Crime Commissioner for North Yorkshire will aim to respond to your complaint as soon as practicable and in any case within three months.

The Information Commissioner

After lodging a complaint with the Police & Crime Commissioner for North Yorkshire, if you are still dissatisfied with the decision, you may make 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, phone or write to:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Phone: 01625 545 700