



Derbyshire Constabulary

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Telephone: 101
Direct Line: 0300 122 8752
Ask For: Freedom of Information
Our Ref: 004802/18
Your Ref: Special Constable Ranks
Date: 22 January 2019

Dear Sir/Madam

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST - REFERENCE NO: 004802/18

I write in connection with your request for information which was received by Derbyshire Constabulary on 24/12/2018. I note you seek access to the following information:

1. *Does the Special Constabulary currently have a rank structure?*
If yes:
2. *What are the names of the ranks?*
3. *What rank insignia do they use? (Please provide pictures if possible)*
4. *When did the Special Constabulary move to their current insignia?*
4. *Does the force use any force emblems on their rank sliders/epaulettes? If so, please describe or include image.*
5. *If the insignia differs from regular officers, are there any plans to transition to match regular officers?*
6. *Does the force use the SC and Crown to identify Special Constables?*
7. *Are any collar number prefixes, suffixes or other divisional markings used to identify Special Constables?*

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request, searches were conducted within Derbyshire Constabulary to locate any relevant information. The searches located some information relevant to your request.

Decision

I have today decided to disclose the located information to you in full.

1. Yes
2. Special, Special Sergeant and Special Inspector
3. Special (no bar), Special Sergeant (one bar) and Special Inspector (two bars). Please note we have no pictures.
4. Approximately 4/5 years ago as agreed by Chief's Council.

- 5. No
- 6. No
- 7. No
- 8. Yes, via collar number starting with 7, 8 or 19. Name and number is shown for SSgst and Sc's, just name for SInsp as attached

Right to Request a Review (Complaint)

Your attention is drawn to the attached sheet, which details your right of complaint.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in Derbyshire Constabulary.

Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter, please write or contact the Freedom of Information Officer, on the above telephone number quoting the reference number in the header.

Yours sincerely

Kevin Lea
Freedom of Information Officer

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