Our Ref: 165-12-115

Your Ref:

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Email:



Information Access Team Surrey Police H.Q 01483 630007

15th March 2012

Dear Mr Nockolds

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (FOI) REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 165-12-115

I write in connection with your request for information received on 16th February 2012.

The Information that you have requested is held in part by Surrey Police.

Q1. Please can you tell me how many special constables are currently serving with Surrey Police?

A1. 345

- **Q2**. If these are listed by family name in alphabetical order please can you tell me how many of the first 36 are currently in paid employment with Tesco PLC.
- **A2**. No information held. Data relating to 'other' employment details of Special Constables is only captured at the application stage, and there is no obligation for Specials to keep this information up to date (or to advise the Force of any changes). General rights of access in line with Part 1 of the FOI Act only relate to recorded information; it is not a requirement of the Act to create new data for the purposes of responding to a request i.e. to contact each individual in order to collect the information sought, where it is not otherwise held.

If such data was held and up to date, it is likely that Section 40 Personal Information would be engaged to exempt any information, due to the potential risk of it identifying individual(s).

Surrey Police provides you the right to request a re-examination of your case under its review procedure. How to do this is set out in the attached Appeals Notice. Having followed the full procedure, if you are still dissatisfied, then you have the right to direct your comments to the Information Commissioner who will give your case consideration.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in Surrey Police. Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter, please write or contact us on 01483 - 630007 quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely

Neil Coventry Information Access Decision Maker