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29th August 2019

Internal Review reference 002798/19

I write in connection with your request for an internal review of our response to FOI 001767/19:-

I am writing to request an internal review of Norfolk Constabulary's handling of my FOI request 'Stop and account statistics (if collected)'.

Your response states that "The only way to retrieve any relevant information would be via a manual trawl of officer pocket note books to see if stop account details have been recorded".

However the guidance notes you provide state that the following details must be provided via airwave, not in notebooks: "The minimum information for a stop and account that must be recorded is as follows: Date, time, location, ethnicity and officer".

Please could you check whether the data can be retrieved within the cost limit from the airwave system?

The Review

In conducting this Internal Review I have read through all of the information including the initial FOI request, responses and the argument for the Internal Review. I have also reviewed the information held in relation to the same request to Suffolk Constabulary and discussed the FOI Request with the Airwave contact in the ICT Department. I spoke to the Norfolk Airwave contact and conveyed the conversation I had with his Suffolk colleague for consistency purposes. As a result of this conversation the Norfolk Airwave contact has written a query to identify Stop and Account information held on Airwave. The query does not return with any information which leads myself and the Airwave contact that no information is held.

Conclusion

After conducting the Internal Review and considering the information available to me and the response from the Airwave contact, my decision is to uphold the original position. The only way to identify the information required would be for each officer to manually review their Pocket Note Books which would exceed the costs limit.

If you are not satisfied with this response, please refer to our review procedure (copy enclosed) for further information on what to do next.

Yours sincerely,

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