

BY EMAIL ONLY

Mr P Ponting

Please ask for: Steve Freeman Telephone: 01772.533587

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Our Ref:

Date: 19th February 2019

Dear Mr Ponting,

I write in relation to your e-mail of the 30 January 2019, seeking an internal review in relation to your Freedom of Information Request 'Use of public money for donations' and a review and full investigation into fraudulent transactions.

In relation to your request for an internal review, as you are aware, the Act only covers recorded information we hold. When compiling a response to a request for information, there is no obligation on the OPCC to find out information from elsewhere (in this case from the Lancashire Constabulary or the North West Blood Bikes) if we don't already have the relevant information in recorded form.

Whilst you appear unhappy with our previous responses, you have not indicated in your e-mail of the 30 January 2019 which of the recorded information we have not provided to you but rather you have made statements, asked further questions or made requests for comment.

The Freedom of Information process does not allow for general correspondence, background details or the rights and wrongs of a situation, but rather the right to ask for documents or data that the OPCC holds.

I have reviewed all your Freedom of Information Requests 'Use of Public Money for donations' submitted via the 'whatdotheyknow' website and can confirm that the OPCC has provided you with all the recorded information it holds within the scope of your numerous requests.

This concludes your internal review. If you are dissatisfied with this internal review you have the right to complain to:

The Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

In relation to your request for a review and full investigation into fraudulent transactions, I should advise you that this has been responded to under separate cover. For your convenience, I should refer you to my colleague's e-mail of the 31 January 2019 (16:42) and his decision letter sent to you on the 7 February 2019 (10:10).



I do not propose to enter in any further correspondence on this matter unless directed to do so by the Information Commissioner.

Yours sincerely,

Steve Freeman

Chief Finance Officer

Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner for Lancashire