

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI 693

Question:

I asked for you to provide details of / copies of any documentation, email, reports etc, either digital or hard copy from within the last 3 years that is held by the PCC in relation to Operation Hitherto. I understand from a previous FOI released by A&S (https://www.whatdotheyknow.com/request/op_hitherto) that Operation Hitherto was only created on the 19th of October 2016. Whilst I know the "emails are deleted after a year" comment is not actually true (given the emails recently released by A&S in relation to up coming Employment Tribunal Hearing) I would have thought that as Operation Hitherto was only created 14months ago, then I'm surprised that to provide details of / copies of any documentation, email, reports etc, either digital or hard copy will be in excess of the £450 limit but to play your game, lets just ask for all the digital copies.

Answer:

A digital search has been made across the Police and Crime Commissioner's computer system for the narrative "Hitherto" and no information was found.

Also, a search has been performed with the parameters of 'Op Hitherto' or 'Operation Hitherto' regarding Microsoft Outlook emails for the PCC and the office of the PCC. No information was found.

Please note that the scope of the Freedom of Information Act is limited to recorded information held at the time of the request. The response above excludes your FOI request narrative of 'Operation Hitherto'. There is no requirement on an organisation to create new information in response to a request. Therefore, this letter represents a Refusal Notice.