



30<sup>th</sup> March 2021  
CON-29524/BM

Sent via email [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED],

**RE: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI854– CON-029524**

Avon and Somerset Police and Crime Commissioner's (PCC's) office have now completed the search for the information which you requested on the 10 March 2021.

**Your request:**

Please can you break down the following information for the financial years: 2015/6, 2016/7, 2017/8, 2018/9 and 2019/20. Can you also please provide me the information for the period between 1 April 2020 and 28 February 2021.

Q1) How many "political advisers" were appointed by your force area's PCC over the stated period?

1a) Please can you tell me the name of the serving PCC at the time who hired such advisers, the combined yearly salaries of said political advisers (£), their full names and dates of appointment (in the format- DD/MM/YYYY).

1b) If the PCC had a deputy PCC below them, how many "political advisers" were appointed by the deputy PCC(s) over the stated period, and how many of them were party political office holders or active party members (please state) at the time of appointment?

For Q1b, could you please tell me the name of the political party (for example, but not limited to: the Labour Party, the Conservative Party) or party political office said adviser(s) belonged to.

**Our response:**

The PCC's office has not appointed or used political advisers during the years specified, therefore we have no information to provide to the above questions posed.

If you have any queries about this letter then please contact me, quoting the reference number above in any future communications.



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COMMISSIONER

If you are unhappy about how your request has been handled and wish to make a complaint or request a review of the decision then you should write to:

The Interim Chief Executive  
Avon and Somerset Police and Crime Commissioner's Office  
Valley Road  
Portishead  
Bristol  
BS20 8JJ

Please note, Avon and Somerset Police and Crime Commissioner's office provides you with the right to request a re-examination of your case under its review procedure. The appeals document is attached for your reference.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by Avon and Somerset Police and Crime Commissioner's office. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: <http://ico.org.uk/>.

Yours sincerely,

***Freedom of Information Officer***

**Avon and Somerset Police and Crime Commissioners Office**