

25/11/2022
REF FOI944/33766

Sent via email [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

RE: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI944/33766

Avon and Somerset Police and Crime Commissioner's (PCC's) office have now completed the search for the information which you requested. Your request was transferred to the PCC's office by Avon and Somerset Constabulary on the 2nd November 2022.

Your request:

As of the date of your request please see the response below, with answers provided in blue.

The information provided relates to when the payments have been made, not the date of the hearing.

Question 1: Between the 1st of January 2022 and 30th of June 2022

Please provide the following information:

How much has been paid by the force to LQCs between the above dates for payment for their role as an LQC at police misconduct hearings - **the PCC's office was transferred the budget from Avon and Somerset Constabulary for the payment of LQCs at the start of the 2022 financial year. Since April 2022 a total of £5,432.43 has been paid to LQCs at police misconduct hearings.**

How many LQCs are at the forces disposable as of the 28th of October 2022 - **8**

What has been the largest payment made to an LQC during the above period - **£3101.10**

Question 2: How much has been paid by the force to Independent Panel Members between the above dates for payment for their role as Independent Panel Members at police misconduct hearings - **the PCC's office has held the budget for the payment of IPMs since the start of the 2022 financial year. Since April 2022 a total of £810.28 has been paid to IPMs at police misconduct hearings.**

How many Independent Panel Members are at the forces disposable as of the 28th of October 2022 - **5**

What has been the largest payment made to an Independent Panel Member during the above period - **£507.88**

Additional Information

For Questions 1 and 2 please provide the information on a monthly basis for both LQC and Independent Panel Members

	<u>Month Paid</u>	<u>Amount</u>
LQC	Jun-22	£2,331.33
LQC	Apr-22	£3,101.10
IPM	Apr-22	£507.88
IPM	May-22	£302.40

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

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 Chief Of Staff
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