

02/07/2025

REF: RM/CON-38813 FOI798

Sent via email: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

RE: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – CON-FOI798

Avon and Somerset Police and Crime Commissioner's (PCC's) office have now completed the search for the information which you requested on 6th June 2025.

Your request:

Avon and Somerset Police and Crime Commissioner, Under the Freedom of Information Act (2000), the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) and Avon and Somerset Police are required to publish information about contracts and suppliers to ensure the force are delivering an open and transparent service.

On 9 January 2025 a payment of £15,000 was made under 'PCC Supplies & Services Contractors' to Cives Consultancy Ltd. It was noted that the Chief Constable and the Police and Crime Commissioner are satisfied the spend represents Value For Money in accordance with the requirements of category B.

Please provide:

- the requirements of Category B
- details of how this payment to Cives Consultancy Ltd complied with Category B requirements e.g. procurement process, number of applicants, criteria for choosing the successful applicant etc
- details and relevant dates of the supplies and services delivered by Cives Consultancy Ltd under this contract.

Our response:

The identified categories are based on the value levels set out in our Scheme of Governance [December-2022-Joint-Scheme-of-Governance.pdf](#). Category A is under £10,000, Category B is £10,000 to £50,000 and Category C is greater than £50,000.

The work was commissioned through a single tender action for an urgent review of the OPCC office to assess its alignment with delivery of the new Police and Crime Commissioner's key priorities. The review and associated advice took place between October and December 2024.



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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