



Northamptonshire Police and Crime Commission

Freedom of Information Act

Request Response

No. 002948/13

Question

I would like to ask the following questions regarding your budget for 2013/2014

- 1) How much money is specifically allocated to the prevention of gangs and youth violence?
- 2) Are any voluntary sector organisations being utilised to provide these services?
- 3) If so, please provide a list of organisations and details of the funding they have been awarded (including the value, type (contract/grant etc) and duration of funding)

Answer

The information you are requesting is not held by Northamptonshire Police in any reasonably retrievable form. The only means of establishing information of the nature you are requesting would be by way of examining each local district budget and comparing this against local charities and voluntary agencies to see if any payments had been awarded. Even at this level, this would not capture a correct figure as some of the work is done jointly with the Local Authority e.g. The County Schools Challenge and it would be difficult to pin down how much had been spent in each area, specifically 'gangs and youth violence'.

It is my assessment that the cost of providing you with the information requested would exceed the 'appropriate level' as set out in the Freedom of Information (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004.

My assessment is that it would cost every 25 charities/projects/schemes x 60 minutes each (minimum) = over 300 hours at £25 per hour to respond to your request, which exceeds the 'appropriate limit' (currently £450 for 'prescribed costs').

In view of the above, and in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please take this letter as a Refusal Notice.

You may wish to refine and resubmit your request so that it reduces the costs shown above and is then within the 'appropriate limit' shown above. (I cannot think of a means to refine the request in order to provide the information you are seeking) but if you would like some further information about how to proceed with your request then please contact the undersigned.