

Northamptonshire Police and Crime Commission

Freedom of Information Act Request Response No. 19022016-1

Question

"How many of the police officers in your force area work on the operational frontline? How many were on the operational frontline on January 1st 2012?

How many police stations have closed in your area since you took office?

Could you provide details of how often Home Office ministers have made an official visit to you in your capacity as Police and Crime Commissioner? Specifically, I would like to know the date of the visit, who the minister was, and what was the official purpose of that visit."

Answer

I am writing to advise you that, following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that some of the information you requested is held by this Department.

How many of the police officers in your force area work on the operational frontline? How many were on the operational frontline on January 1st 2012?

No information held. Northamptonshire Police's Information Unit may hold some of the information you are seeking. If you have not already done so, then you may wish to write to Ian Kelly, Freedom of Information and Data Protection Team Leader, Information Unit, Force Headquarters, Wootton Hall, Northampton, NN4 0JQ

How many police stations have closed in your area since you took office? No Police Stations have closed since Nov 2012. A number of changes have been made to public desks. They are:

• Thrapston Police Office has closed but relocated with Northants Fire and Rescue Service within the same town.

• Earls Barton is no longer in use.

• The Enquiry desk at Campbell Square relocated to the Guild Hall in Northampton.

• The Enquiry desk at Kettering Police Station relocated to the Kettering Borough Council Offices in Bowling Green Road.

• The Enquiry desks at Oundle and Brackley Police Stations are no longer open to the Public.

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• The Rt. Hon. Damian Green MP, Minister of State for Policing, visited Northamptonshire on 6th February 2014, to learn more about how Northamptonshire Police is utilising digital technology and to see first-hand the collaboration work being undertaken with Northamptonshire's Fire and Rescue Service.

• The Minister for Crime Prevention, Norman Baker MP visited Northamptonshire on the 2nd April to discuss innovative approaches to tackling alcohol related crime.

• The Rt. Hon. Damian Green MP, Minister of State for Policing, visited Northamptonshire on 29th April 2014 to attend the official launch of the Institute for Public Safety, Crime and Justice with an event held at the University of Northampton.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: John Nielson, Acting Chief Executive, Office of the Northamptonshire Police and Crime Commissioner, West Wing, Force Headquarters, Wootton Hall, Northampton, NN4 0JQ

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF