



Northamptonshire Police and Crime Commission

Freedom of Information Act Request Response

No. 08112017-1

Question

- What is the daily rate you pay your legally qualified chair for misconduct panels?
- Are there any other fees you pay your LQC for any work related to misconduct hearings, preparations and report writing? If so, please give details
- What is the daily rate you pay your supporting members of misconduct panels?
- Are there any other fees you pay to misconduct panel members for any relevant work? If so, please give details
- Are officers subject to misconduct proceedings able to claim expenses, eg for travel? If so please give details
- Please release full details of all expenses claimed in connection with misconduct hearings, investigation, preparation and reports, broken down by each hearing for the last twelve months
- How many misconduct hearings have you held in the last twelve months and how long did they last for?

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 the Office of the Northamptonshire Police and Crime Commissioner.

What is the daily rate you pay your legally qualified chair for misconduct panels?

£366

Are there any other fees you pay your LQC for any work related to misconduct hearings, preparations and report writing? If so, please give details

A fee may be claimed at the rate of £50.50 for each hour necessarily spent in preparatory work or report writing. This fee may, however, only be claimed where it is necessary for the work to be undertaken on a day other than the day on which the hearing takes place, (except that a fee may be claimed even in these circumstances if the hearing fee is paid at the half-day rate). The maximum preparation and report writing fee that can be claimed is £750 for each misconduct hearing. This may be varied in more complex cases but only upon written agreement of the host Police & Crime Commissioner.

For all those that assist the Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Lincolnshire, Northamptonshire and Nottinghamshire Police & Crime Commissioners in the delivery of service they should do so and not be out of pocket for any travel expenses incurred in fulfilling those duties. Where public transport costs are incurred these will be re-imbursed in full on providing the relevant

receipts and completion of the relevant force's claim form. Mileage will be re-imbursed for mileage incurred travelling to and from any venue in relation to the work being undertaken. Mileage will be re-imbursed at the HMRC vehicle rate, currently 45p per mile. The vehicle, for which mileage is being claimed must be taxed, have appropriate insurance and a valid MOT certificate (where applicable) at the time the journeys were made. Evidence of this may be requested for audit purposes. Costs incurred for rail travel will be reimbursed at the standard rate. All claims for travel expenses must have a completed claim form from the relevant force, including a signed declaration that they were incurred in the performance of approved duties and that this expenditure has not been claimed from any other body in respect of the same duties.

What is the daily rate you pay your supporting members of misconduct panels?

No information held

Are there any other fees you pay to misconduct panel members for any relevant work? If so, please give details?

No information held

Are officers subject to misconduct proceedings able to claim expenses, eg for travel? If so please give details?

No information held

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| Date | Preparation and Report Writing | Miles | Daily Rate |
|------------|--------------------------------|-------|------------|
| 08/08/2016 | | £22 | £130 |
| 17/11/2016 | | £22 | £130 |
| 10/04/2017 | £63 | | |
| 18/04/2017 | | £22 | £130 |
| 18/04/2017 | £313 | | £366 |
| 08/05/2017 | £152 | | |
| 09/05/2017 | | | £366 |
| 09/05/2017 | | £54 | |
| 09/05/2017 | | £22 | £130 |
| 20/10/2017 | £51 | | |
| 10/11/2017 | £101 | | |
| 16/11/2017 | £303 | | |
| 17/11/2017 | | £38 | £366 |
| 18/11/2017 | | £38 | £366 |
| 18/11/2017 | | £26 | £130 |
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| Total | £982 | £242 | £2,114 |

How many misconduct hearings have you held in the last twelve months and how long did they last for?

Details of misconduct hearings can be found at:

<http://www.northants.police.uk/page/misconduct-investigations-and-outcomes>

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: Martin Scoble, 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.