

Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 27-20

I write in connection with your request for information dated 1st September which was received by the Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner on the same date.

Following receipt of your request for information searches were initiated within the Engagement Team to see if we held any reports provided by West Yorkshire Police to our Community Outcome meetings which contained the information you requested and you can find links to any relevant reports below.

a) As a member of the taxpayer public paying for a well equipped and safe police force how many front line officers are operational within the West Yorkshire force?

Please see a link to the report below:

https://www.westyorkshire-pcc.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2020-09/item_7_-_nhp_report_com_sept_2020.pdf

Please note that I am unsure what you mean by front line officers operational in West Yorkshire. The report above provides details of the numbers of officers in neighbourhood policing teams and there are many more officers and staff in front line operational roles which are not included in this data. As the information is available to you on our website it is exempt from disclosure under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act.

b) Bearing in mind Government recognition for police forces to offer any PC Taser training, what is the West Yorkshire policy?

Please see a link to the report below:

https://www.westyorkshire-pcc.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2019-11/item_7_-_covering_report_-_use_of_force.pdf

As the information is available to you on our website it is exempt from disclosure under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act.

c) What plans are in place, and given your support, for all front line police officers requesting Taser training to be duly accommodated?

We do not hold any information relevant to this part of your request.

Please note West Yorkshire Police may hold some of the information you are seeking to access and you may wish to contact West Yorkshire Police directly. You may also wish to lodge a Freedom of Information request with West Yorkshire Police

using the following form for the information you have requested:
<https://www.westyorkshire.police.uk/form/freedom-of-information-request>.

If you consider that your request for information has not been handled properly, you can ask for an internal review of our decision. I have attached a copy of our appeals policy which explains how to submit an appeal and who will consider it. You can also complain to the Information Commissioner's Office via their website <https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/official-information-concerns-report/official-information-concern/> or by telephone on 0303 123 1113, although please note they would usually expect you to have gone through our internal review procedure before contacting them.