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Our Ref: 003820/19

Your Ref:

Address Correspondence to: Police & Crime Commissioner Leicestershire Police HQ

Date 08 November 2019

Dear,

Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your request for information received 14/10/2019.

I note you seek access to the following information:

Can you please tell me the total spent on branded PCC merchandise by the Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner since November 2012?

Could you furthermore tell me how many branded items have been purchased, the type of items purchased and the amount spent per year?

Following receipt of your request, searches were conducted within Leicestershire Police to locate information relevant to your request.

Your request for information has now been considered and the information asked for is as follows: -

Please see information relating to your request. This contains information relating to spend on PCC branded merchandise from 2015/16 to present. Information prior would invoke Section 12.

		Total	Date
Product	Unit	(£)	Purchased
Hatted Logobug	1000	320	28/02/2017
Latex Balloons with logo	1000	130	28/02/2017
Contour Wrap Ballpen	1000	560	20/03/2019
Kraft Paper Goodie Bag	1000	711	20/03/2019
Hatted Logobug	500	243	20/03/2019
Printed Trolley Coin Key Ring	1000	860	20/03/2019
SportsPro Sports Bottle	1000	925	20/03/2019
Lanyard	50	137	20/03/2019







Latex Balloons with logo	500	125	20/03/2019
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Lanyard	50	139.5	26/03/2019
Branded Card Defender	500	235	17/05/2019
Branded UV Pen	500	360	17/05/2019
Branded Card Defender	500	228	24/10/2019

Section 12 – Cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit.

In order to provide information prior to the introduction of our new finance system in 215/16 would require a manual review of archived data on the old finance system. This would take in excess of 18 hours to conduct.

In order to retrieve the information you have requested would therefore be in excess of the 18 hours specified by the Home Office as the time period for which a police force should allocate to a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

In the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004, the current regulatory limit which has been set by the Secretary of State for public authorities, which includes the police service, is £450 for the marginal costs which are the costs of finding, sorting, editing or redacting information and disbursements (printing, photocopying etc). The Association of Chief Police Officers have agreed a national standard of an hourly rate of £25 is to be charged for the time taken. In essence therefore, the costs equate to 18 hours work per request. It will be apparent therefore that within the time frame of 18 hours it will not be possible to extract the information to answer any of your questions.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, this letter acts as a Refusal Notice under s12(1) as the cost of providing you with the information is above the amount to which we are legally required to respond i.e. the cost of locating and retrieving the information exceeds the "appropriate level" as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004.

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire provides you the right to ask for a re-examination of your request under its review procedure. Letters should be addressed to Information Manager, Professional Standards Department at the above address. If you decide to request such a review and having followed the Force's full process you are still dissatisfied, then you have the right to direct your comments to the Information Commissioner who will give it consideration.

Yours sincerely

Information Management

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire



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