



**POLICE & CRIME
COMMISSIONER
for Leicestershire**

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Our ref: PB/01778/20

Date: 18th March 2021

Dear,

Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your request for information received 23/02/2021.
I note you seek access to the following information:

In accordance with the provisions of the FoI Act please confirm:

The person to whom the function of making arrangements for dealing with complaints reported against the Chief Constable has been delegated to,

The instrument used to delegate the function of making arrangements for dealing with complaints reported against the Chief Constable, for example whether the delegation has been made in accordance with the Scheme of Corporate Governance or any other instrument

The person identified as being the 'appropriate authority' as defined under s. 29.1 (a) (i) of the Police Reform Act 2002, in order to meet the obligations prescribed for the appropriate authority within the IOPC Statutory Guidance on the Police Complaints System

Following receipt of your request, searches were conducted within the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicester and Leicestershire to locate information relevant to your request.

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

- 1. The person to whom the function of making arrangements for dealing with complaints reported against the Chief Constable has been delegated to.**

The Police and Crime Commissioner is the appropriate authority for the handling of complaints in relation to the Chief Constable.

- 2. The instrument used to delegate the function of making arrangements for dealing with complaints reported against the Chief Constable, for example whether the delegation has been made in accordance with the Scheme of Corporate Governance or any other instrument**





The responsibility of the Police and Crime Commissioner to handle complaints in relation to the Chief Officer is set out set out in legislation. It is also outlined in the Corporate Governance Framework under section 3.4.5

'The Police and Crime Commissioner will be responsible for handling complaints and conduct matters in relation to the Chief Constable, monitoring complaints against officers and staff, handling reviews into the outcome of complaints resolved by the Professional Standards department and complying with the requirements of the Independent Police Complaints Commission'

The Corporate Governance Framework can be viewed using the following link:

<https://www.leics.pcc.police.uk/DOCUMENT-LIBRARY/Transparency/Policies-and-Procedures/Corporate-Governance-Framework.pdf>

3. The person identified as being the 'appropriate authority' as defined under s. 29.1 (a) (i) of the Police Reform Act 2002, in order to meet the obligations prescribed for the appropriate authority within the IOPC Statutory Guidance on the Police Complaints System

The 'Appropriate Authority' as defined in Section 29 of the Police Reform Act 2002 is the Police and Crime Commissioner, Lord Bach.

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner provides you the right to ask for a re-examination of your request under its review procedure. Letters should be addressed to Information Manager, Corporate Services 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

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