



**POLICE & CRIME  
COMMISSIONER**  
for Leicester,  
Leicestershire & Rutland  
Your Communities - Your Commissioner

Our ref: FOI 0002/25 – OPCC 650

Date: 31 January 2025

Name:  
Email:

Dear,

**Freedom of Information Act 2000**

I write further to your freedom of information request received on 7 January 2025. I note you seek access to the following information:

- 1) Are you using any adapted or neurodivergence-friendly practical tools/resources/assets/materials for neurodivergent individuals who are likely to come into contact with the Criminal Justice System (CJS).
  - Of the above, what is the intended audience for each adapted tool/resource/asset/material (e.g., directly for neurodivergent young adults (up to 25 years), directly for neurodivergent adults (25 years+), carers, parents, peers, professionals)?
  - Do you have separate practical tools/resources/assets/materials for victims and perpetrators?
- 2) What are these practical tools/resources/assets/materials called and are they publicly available?
- 3) How long have you been using these tools/resources/assets/materials within your service/PCC area?
- 4) If you are not using any adapted practical tools/resources/assets/materials, do you intend on implementing any in the future? If so – please provide details if you can.
- 5) Please provide copies and/or links to any available tools/resources/assets/materials that you are using.

**Your request for information has now been considered and the response can be found below:**



- 1) Are you using any adapted or neurodivergence-friendly practical tools/resources/assets/materials for neurodivergent individuals who are likely to come into contact with the Criminal Justice System (CJS).

*The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) uses Dragon Software and adapted reading materials for staff with neurodivergence. It is not recorded at this point if/where contracted services use any adaptations or tools to support service users in contact with the CJS.*

- Of the above, what is the intended audience for each adapted tool/resource/asset/material (e.g., directly for neurodivergent young adults (up to 25 years), directly for neurodivergent adults (25 years+), carers, parents, peers, professionals)? *N/A*
  - Do you have separate practical tools/resources/assets/materials for victims and perpetrators? *N/A*
- 2) What are these practical tools/resources/assets/materials called and are they publicly available? *N/A*
  - 3) How long have you been using these tools/resources/assets/materials within your service/PCC area? *N/A*
  - 4) If you are not using any adapted practical tools/resources/assets/materials, do you intend on implementing any in the future? If so – please provide details if you can.

*The OPCC is working with the Integrated Care Board <https://leicesterleicestershireandrutland.icb.nhs.uk/contact/> to develop resources to be included in the Violence Reduction Network (VRN) LiveSafe website to support individuals and families of young people with neurodivergence. The VRN also commissioned a report around the “Effective support for neurodivergent young people in the CJS” - [Briefings | Violence Reduction Network](#).*

- 5) Please provide copies and/or links to any available tools/resources/assets/materials that you are using. *N/A*

The Youth Justice Boards and Substance Misuse providers May be able to provide the information you have requested as they are more likely to come into contact with the CJS cohort.

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 Data Protection Officer at the above address or emailed to [OPCC@leics.police.uk](mailto:OPCC@leics.police.uk). If you decide to request such a review and having followed the Police and Crime Commissioner'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,

**Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner**

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