

FOI 2022-943

I write in connection with your request for information dated 28<sup>th</sup> November 2022, concerning OPCC cost breakdowns.

I am required by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to handle all requests in a manner that is blind as to the identity and motives of the requestor. Any information released as a response to a request is regarded as being published and therefore in the public domain without caveat.

Following receipt of your request, research was conducted by the Strategic Support Officer for the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner at Wiltshire Police.

**You wrote:**

Can you please send me the following information as I am unclear from looking website at the breakdown of cost of the office of PCC.

1. The number of staff employed by/payrolled under the OPCC (not Wilts Police) and a job title each staff member holds.
2. The staffing cost complete of the OPCC for 2021 and projected 2022.
3. The associated 'other costs' (office, cars etc) for the OPCC for 2021 and projected in 2022
4. The combined total costs for the OPCC for 2021 and projected 2022

**Response:**

The information you are requesting is exempt by virtue of Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Information accessible to applicant by other means.

Question 1

The following link will direct you to the 'Staffing' page on the OPCC website : [Staffing \(wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk\)](http://wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk/Staffing). Here, you will also find information regarding the structure of the OPCC : [OPCC Organisational Structure \(wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk\)](http://wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk/OPCC%20Organisational%20Structure).

Please note: The Strategy, Performance & Oversight Strategic Support Officer and Solicitor roles are with recruitment.

Questions 2, 3 and 4

The following link will direct you to the 'Finance documents' page on the OPCC website : [Finance documents \(wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk\)](http://wiltshire-pcc.gov.uk/Finance%20documents). Here you will find the Statements of Accounts for each fiscal year, along with the forecasted spend for fiscal year 2022/23 in the form of the Budget Book.

Please see page 53 of the 'Statement of Accounts 2022 PCC Group Draft JIGRAC Sept' document for staffing costs, associated other costs and combined total costs ('Statement of Accounts' □ 2021/22)

Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires Wiltshire Police, when refusing to provide such information (because the information is exempt) to provide you the applicant with a notice which:

(a) states that fact, (b) specifies the exemption in question and (c) states (if that would not otherwise be apparent) why the exemption applies.

The exemption applicable to the information requested is:

Section 21 – Information Accessible to the Applicant by Other Means

In accordance with section 17 of the Act, this letter represents a Refusal Notice for this particular request.