

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, searches were conducted within the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner. Your request for information has now been considered and I am able to respond as follows:

You wrote:

- 1) What were the total staffing costs, including Temp/Agency staff, for the office of the PCC for each of the last two financial years.
- 2) According to the 2011 census, the population of Swindon (the unitary authority area) constitutes one third of the population of Wiltshire. While your website helpfully provides comprehensive police spending for Wiltshire, I would welcome a breakdown of policing expenditure for the Swindon unitary authority area giving capital, running and operational costs.

Response:

- 1) The total staffing costs, including temporary or agency staff for the office of the PCC are shown in the table below:

	<u>2015/16</u>	<u>2016/17</u>
Staff Basic Pay Total	505,374.54	568,153.65
Leave Top Up Staff Total	-	12.81
Staff NI Total	50,692.77	64,266.53
Staff Pension Total	70,961.19	85,283.28
Staff Other Allowances Total	7,390.16	7,355.16
Agency / Temp Staff Total	11,663.59	-
Volunteer expenses Total	1,295.30	2,108.50
Contribution to Wiltshire Police business intelligence and communication staff	98,603.87	99,007.00
Consultants Fees Total	611.40	11,550.00
	746,592.82	837,736.93

* Staffing costs include posts funded by Ministry of Justice (2015/16 - £55,347.46, and £95,050.64 in 2016/17).

- 2) The financial systems are set up to cover the Wiltshire Policing Area, which does not distinguish between Local Authority areas. I am absolutely confident that to locate, retrieve and extract the information you seek would by far exceed the time obligations upon this authority to comply, and in so doing would exceed the fees limits. This is set at £450 calculated at a flat rate of £25 per hour for those work activities comprising of confirming the information is held, locating it, retrieving it and extracting it.

Therefore this request falls under the exemption of section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.