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I write in connection with your email request for information dated 09 October 2018 regarding party conference attendance.

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. Did your PCC, their deputy or any OPCC staff attend the Conservative, Labour and/or Liberal Democrat party conferences in September and October this year? If not, you may disregard the below questions
2. If so, how many people attended, for how long and did they take annual leave?
3. How much public money was spent on:
  - a. Accommodation – please name the hotel where they stayed
  - b. Travel – please state what type of transport and class of travel (ie first class etc)
  - c. Entertainment and subsistence – please name any restaurants where meals eaten
  - d. Sundry expenses
4. Was there any correspondence between the PCC and anyone within the OPCC regarding any aspect of the trip including the cost? If so please provide copies

Response:

1. No the PCC, their Deputy or any OPCC staff did not attend the Conservative, Labour or Liberal Democrat party conference in September and October this year.