



Northamptonshire Police and Crime Commission

Freedom of Information Act

Request Response

No. 000943/14

Question

Can you send me a copy of the full (not the summary) Northamptonshire Constabulary capital programme for 2014.15 - 2018. I didn't see this in the bundle which went to PCP.

Answer

I have liaised with the Police and Crime Commissioner's Office who hold the information requested and have been asked to respond on their behalf as follows:

The Police and Crime Commissioner's Offices are not obliged to provide this information you have requested under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please take this letter as a Refusal Notice to this particular request.

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

- a) states the fact that an exemption has been applied
- b) specifies the exemption in question, and
- c) states why the exemption applies (if that would not otherwise be apparent)

The statutory exemption applicable to the information not disclosed is as follows:

Section 22 Information to be published in the future.

This is a Qualified Class Based Exemption and is subject to a public interest test.

Public Interest Test

The S22 Public Interest Test is focused on whether the public interest favours the early release of this information, ahead of publication, rather than considering the information itself.

FACTORS FAVOURING DISCLOSURE

The information is in draft form and may change before publication.

FACTORS FAVOURING NON DISCLOSURE

The publication date is imminent.

The publication is being prepared at some expense to the PCC and the spending of additional public funds would be wasteful.

BALANCE TEST

It is acknowledged that both accountability and public awareness are enhanced by the disclosure of this type of information. However, this will be achieved through the proposed proactive publication and for this reason the public interest favours maintaining this schedule of publication.

The capital programme for Northamptonshire Police 2014/15–2018 will be published on the Commission's website by the 31st March 2014.