



OFFICE OF THE POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER FOR NORFOLK

Reply to: Claire Buckley

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Dear Member of the Public

Freedom of Information Request – FOI/OPCCN/058

I am writing in connection with your email dated 23rd June 2014, submitted via our Website, in which you sought the following information:

“Now there is an unelected Deputy whilst enquiries are made into mileage claims. So where now is any legitimate mandate?”

This whole saga I believe reflects the growth of another bureaucratic tier of admin at the expense of the Police Budget already reported to be having to make millions in savings.

Here we now have set up, office costs, salaries plus expenses for a whole tranche of people whose responsibilities were previously overseen by local Councillors. I have asked before, but in the light of this development what are the overall and individual costs of the PCC or will I have to ask for this under the Freedom of Information legislation.”

In relation to your comment regarding an unelected Deputy, Mr Bett made it clear from the outset that should he be successfully elected, Jenny McKibben would be his Deputy (as per the attached news article).

In relation to costs of the PCC, numerous details relating to the costs of the PCC and his office are published within the FOI Disclosure Log on the OPCCN Website.

Under Section 21(1) of the Freedom of Information Act (2000), public authorities are not required to provide information that is reasonably accessible to the public by other means, in this case via the OPCCN website; therefore in accordance with Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act (2000), this serves as a Refusal Notice for your request.

Please use the link below to access the relevant section of the website:

<http://www.norfolk-pcc.gov.uk/freedom-information>

Yours sincerely

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