

FOI ref no: SCO/FOI/14/2021

Freedom of Information request: reference SCO/FOI/14/2021, first notified to us by email on 10 March 2021.

Staffordshire Commissioner's Office response to your enquiry is as follows:

I can confirm that the Staffordshire Commissioner's Office does not hold the requested information.

Please can you break down the following information for the financial years: 2015/6, 2016/7, 2017/8, 2018/9 and 2019/20. Can you also please provide me the information for the period between 1 April 2020 and 28 February 2021.

Q1) How many "political advisers" were appointed by your force area's PCC over the stated period? There were no political advisors appointed over the stated period by the PCC.

1a) Please can you tell me the name of the serving PCC at the time who hired such advisers, the combined yearly salaries of said political advisers (£), their full names and dates of appointment (in the format-DD/MM/YYYY).

Please see response to Q1.

1b) If the PCC had a deputy PCC below them, how many "political advisers" were appointed by the deputy PCC(s) over the stated period, and how many of them were party political office holders or active party members (please state) at the time of appointment?

There were no political advisors appointed over the stated period by the DPCC.

For Q1b, could you please tell me the name of the political party (for example, but not limited to: the Labour Party, the Conservative Party) or party political office said adviser(s) belonged to. **There were no political advisors appointed over the stated period by the PCC or DPCC.**

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of this email and should be addressed to:

Compliance Manager Staffordshire Commissioner's Office Block 9, Staffordshire Police HQ Stafford ST18 0YY

Or emailed to: <u>FOI.PFCC@staffordshire-pfcc.pnn.gov.uk</u>.

Please remember to quote the reference number in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Decision Maker

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