

FOI Request: 31/2025

I write in connection with your request for information received in the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire on the 6th October 2025. You asked the following questions:

“Please provide the following information for the period 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2025, broken down by financial year:

1) Total expenditure by the PCC on pest control services, including both in-house provision and external/contracted services.

2) If any services are contracted out, please provide the supplier name(s) and the contract value(s).

3) The number of call-outs/treatments by species category (e.g. rats, mice, pigeons, gulls, foxes, grey squirrels, wasps, bedbugs, cockroaches—please use your own categories if recorded differently).

4) For any lethal control commissioned or carried out by the PCC, the number of animals killed by species and, where recorded, the method used (e.g. trapping, poisoning, shooting).

5) A copy of any policy, guidance, or standard operating procedure relating to the PCC's pest control service or contractors.

Please also provide the information in CSV, Excel, or another machine-readable format where possible.

If any part of this request is unclear, or if fulfilling it would exceed the statutory cost limit, please provide advice and assistance on how I can refine it.”

I can confirm that the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire holds some of the information that you have asked for.

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Under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we are not required to provide information that is already reasonably accessible to you by other means. In this case, the information you have requested is publicly available on our website via the following links:

- [Contracts and tenders | Office of the Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner](#)
- [Decisions taken by the Commissioner | Office of the Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner](#)

As the information is readily accessible, this constitutes an absolute exemption under the Act. If you experience any difficulty accessing the information online, please let us know and we are happy to assist you further.

This is to inform you that the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire does not hold the information you have requested based on the information you have provided.

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While the information we hold is published and accessible via our website, for more detailed or specific data (as requested in questions 3, 4 and 5), I would recommend contacting Derbyshire Constabulary directly, as it is their Procurement Team who are responsible for managing and maintaining this information. I give below a link to the Constabulary's website where you can make a FOI request to them direct: [I want to find information about the police | Derbyshire Constabulary](#).

If you are not satisfied with our response to your request, under Section 17 of the FOIA you are entitled to ask for an internal review of our decision. Any internal review needs to be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of this response and state why you are unhappy with the response. You can submit an internal review in the following ways:

- Emailing the OPCC Inbox – PCCOffice@Derbyshire.PNN.Police.UK or.
- Writing to the OPCC at –
The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire
Butterley Hall
Ripley
Derbyshire
DE5 3RS
- By phone – 0300 122 6000 (as a reasonable adjustment under the Equality Act 2010).

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the internal review under Section 50 of the FOIA you can apply directly to the Information Commissioner (ICO) for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the internal review procedure provided by the OPCC. You can contact the ICO in the following ways:

- Online at the ICO –



<https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/> or;

- Writing to the ICO at –
Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Marie Romano'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'Marie' written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name 'Romano'.

Marie Romano
On behalf of the Police and Crime Commissioner

