

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO 2014–021**

Your request has now been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act) and we provide our response below.

You asked:

**How much has the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner spent on:**

- a. Social Media**
- b. Consultancy**
- c. Company cars**

Your request for information has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act) and our response is as follows:

- a. Social Media – Zero – no money has been spent on social media.
- b. Consultancy – Zero – no money has been spent on consultancy.
- c. Company Cars – The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner provides a vehicle to the Commissioner and to the Chief Executive on a personal lease basis, procured through the nationally discounted police vehicle framework. They are not fitted with blue lights or modified and could rapidly be reused as part of the Force fleet. No fuel is provided.

The Commissioner and Chief Executive claim 11 pence per mile for business mileage only and pay personal tax on the vehicle as a benefit in kind.

The vehicles were chosen due to their high residual value, reusability within the police fleet, and the discounts available at the time of purchase through the national procurement arrangements with certain manufacturers.

When full account is taken of tax, including the Commissioner's and Chief Executive's increased personal tax liability for the vehicles, the net cost of the vehicles is just over £5000 per annum, for a Dorset Police vehicle asset that could rapidly be deployed operationally.

Please find below a link to our website on which details of the PCC expenses are available.

<http://www.dorset.pcc.police.uk/Your-PCC/Accountability/Salary-and-Expenses.aspx>