

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO 2020-003

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

You asked:

1. Could you please tell me the PCC's annual salary and whether this has remained the same since the post was created in 2012?
2. How many members of staff did your office have when it was created in November 2012, and what was the annual salary cost at that time?
3. How many members of staff does your office have as of now, January 2020, and what is the current annual salary cost?
4. How many members of staff are paid an annual salary of more than £100,000 as of now, January 2020?
5. How many members of staff has the office employed since November 2012 and what is the total salary cost of this?

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

1. The Dorset PCC salary was set at £70,000 at the role's inception. The Government agreed that PCC salaries be increased by 2% from May 2018, making the current salary £71,400.

To note, PCC salaries are centrally set by Government, and based on recommendations made by the Senior Salaries Review Board (SSRB).
<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/review-body-on-senior-salaries>

2. As at November 2012 the office had 8.00 FTE. Total annual salary costs can be found in our 2012/13 annual accounts here:
<https://www.dorset.pcc.police.uk/information-hub/publication-scheme/what-we-spend-and-how/>
3. As of January 2020, the OPCC had 17.68 FTE with a total annual salary of £847,100 (Staff Pay, National Insurance and Pension budgets).
4. No members of staff are paid an annual salary of more than £100,000.
5. We have interpreted this question to relate to the total annual salary of OPCC staffing since 2012. Salary costs for each year can be found in our annual accounts here: <https://www.dorset.pcc.police.uk/information-hub/publication-scheme/what-we-spend-and-how/>