

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO 2021-007

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

You asked:

In accordance with the provisions of the Fol Act please confirm:

1. The person to whom the function of making arrangements for dealing with complaints reported against the Chief Constable has been delegated to,
2. The instrument used to delegate the function of making arrangements for dealing with complaints reported against the Chief Constable, for example whether the delegation has been made in accordance with the Scheme of Corporate Governance or any other instrument
3. The person identified as being the 'appropriate authority' as defined under s. 29.1 (a) (i) of the Police Reform Act 2002, in order to meet the obligations prescribed for the appropriate authority within the IOPC Statutory Guidance on the Police Complaints System

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

All answers relate to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Dorset.

1. The Chief Executive and Monitoring Officer has delegated authority for the arrangements to deal with complaints reported against the Chief Constable.
2. The Scheme of Delegation within the Code of Corporate Government contains the record of this delegation. [[Scheme of Corporate Governance Page 8, Para 5.15](#)]
3. The Police and Crime Commissioner is the person identified as being the 'appropriate authority', as detailed in the Police Reform Act 2002 and the IOPC Statutory Guidance.