

Our Ref: MS
Reply to: Mark Stokes
Dial: 01953 424455

29th March 2023

Dear Member of Public,

Freedom of Information Request FOI/OPCCN/219 – Outcome of Internal Review

Thank you for your Internal Review request dated 7 March 2023 regarding a Freedom of Information Request in which you asked for:

“Please provide all guidance provided to the Giles Orpen Smellie in his role as PCC that he relied upon to state that most 20mph signs are not give rise to enforceable offences in his recent contribution to Norfolk County Council cabinet.

Where the advice was written I would like all meta data including the time, date, sender, recipient, etc.

Where the advice involved recorded media I would like the media.

Where advice was given without record I would like the identity of the people present, the time, date and location.

In all cases I would like to know the identity of the officers/people involved.”

The purpose of an Internal Review is to assess how your Freedom of Information request was handled in the first instance and to determine whether the original decision given to you was correct. This is an independent review and I was not involved in the original decision.

The response to you on 16 March 2023 under reference number: FOI/OPCCN/219 is outlined below:

“The Chief Executive of the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Norfolk (OPCCN) was witness to a verbal briefing between the PCC and Norfolk Constabulary colleagues on this matter. This briefing was not recorded by the OPCCN and therefore no further information is available.”

I have assessed your case and after careful consideration, I have concluded that the initial response that was sent to you was compliant with the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act. To further clarify our response there is no information held by the OPCCN but confirmation of a verbal conversation was provided for the sake of transparency. No records were created by the OPCCN nor any emails or correspondence regarding the matter

were sent or received. As you stated in your review request, we are under no obligation to respond to additional queries within an FOI review, however on this occasion my colleague has confirmed the following search terms were used when researching the data for your original request: 20mph, twenty mph, speed limit(s), speed(ing) enforcement, driving offence(s), enforceable offences, and speeding.

Yours sincerely

Mark Stokes
Chief Executive
Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner
For Norfolk

How to Appeal

If you remain dissatisfied after an internal review decision, you have the right to apply to the Information Commissioner's Office. The Commissioner is an independent regulator who has the power to direct us to respond to your request differently, if he considers that we have handled it incorrectly.

You can contact the Information Commissioner's Office at the following address:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

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