

Reply to: Leah Smith Telephone: 01953 424455 Date: 22 March 2024

Dear Member of Public,

RE: Freedom of Information Request FOI/OPCCN/234

I am writing in connection with your email dated 27 February 2024, in which you requested the following information:

In line with the legal recognition of ethical veganism as a protected philosophical belief under the Equality Act 2010 since January 2020, any written communication from 2020 to 2023 inclusively between the Police and Crime Commissioner office and the Police, regarding veganphobia or hate crime against vegans.

I have reviewed our records and can advise the following:

There are no records of any written correspondence between the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Norfolk and the police regarding veganphobia or hate crime against vegans.

Yours sincerely

L. Smith

Leah Smith

Complaints and Compliance Manager and FOI Decision Maker

Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Norfolk

Internal Review

If you think we have not supplied information in accordance with Section 1 (the General Right of Access) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, or you are dissatisfied with the way in which your request has been handled, then you should write within 40 days of the date of the response to:

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Chief Executive
Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Norfolk
Building 7
Falconers Chase
Wymondham
Norfolk
NR18 oWW

Telephone: 01953 424455

Email: opccn@norfolk.police.uk

If you are dissatisfied in any way with our response or the way we have handled your request, you can contact us by phone, email or in writing. We may, in the first instance, try and resolve your complaint informally. However, at any stage you can request, or we may decide to treat your complaint formally under our internal review process.

An internal review is conducted by the Chief Executive who will review the request and response, taking account of your complaint(s), and will respond in writing as soon as possible. The Information Commissioner's Office recommends that a response should be made in 20 working days. If we are unable to respond in this timeframe, we will inform you and provide a date by which you should expect to receive our response.

If, after the internal review, you remain dissatisfied then you can complain to the Information Commissioner's Office, the government regulator for the Freedom of Information Act. Details of how to contact the Information Commissioner's Office can be found at www.ico.org.uk