

COMMISSIONER CAROLINE HENRY

Ref: FOI29-23

Date: 18 July 2023

Re: Request under the Freedom of Information Act

Thank you for your request for information, received by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner Nottinghamshire on 14 July 2023.

INFORMATION REQUESTED

This an FOI request. I am interested in researching the issue of the Inspection of Accounts rights under the Audit Act 2014, to see if or how it is being used across local bodies in the UK.

I wanted to ask for data, between 2019 and 2022/23 for

- 1. If the accounts were published in those years
- 2. Number of people who inspected the accounts in the time periods each year.
- 3. Number of requests/questions asked, and what they were/what areas they covered
- 4. Number of objections raised, and what they were.
- 5. Any FOI requests relating to the accounts or finances (with the phrase 'accounts' of 'inspection or statement of accounts')
- 6. Any changes made to the accounts as a result.

There's some data for Lambeth here from 2018/19 that illustrates what I'm looking for https://www.lambeth.gov.uk/about-council/transparency-open-data/inspection-accounts.

If any of the data are already public or if you need further clarification, please let me know.

RESPONSE

Your request does not relate to recorded information held by this authority. The Freedom of Information Act covers any recorded information that is held by a public authority; this includes printed documents, computer files, letters, emails, photographs, and sound or video recordings.

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The Act does not provide access to opinions or comments unless they are in a recorded form.

We are therefore unable to provide a response to your request.

The authority holding this information would be Nottinghamshire Police, their contact details are below should you wish to send your request onto them:

Nottinghamshire Police Freedom of Information Sherwood Lodge Arnold Nottingham NG5 8PP

E-mail Freedomofinformation@notts.police.uk

If you are not satisfied with our response, you have the right to ask us to review our handling of your request. If this is the case, please contact us on telephone number 0115 8445998 or e-mail officepcc@notts.police.uk quoting the reference number.

If you remain dissatisfied after the outcome of the review, you have the right to refer the matter to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). We will provide further details of this right in a review outcome letter

Yours sincerely

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