# Freedom of Information
## Quarterly Disclosure Log

## 1 January 2025 to 31 March 2025

**NORTHUMBRIA POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER**

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| 38/24 | 1. Please could you provide a copy of the Authority's rules and conditions and any guidelines covering the procurement process for professional services such as the Estate Agent Services to be used in the sale of the former houses?<br><br>2. Please could you provide copies of both the long list and short list of estate agents the Authority selected for the sale?<br><br>3. Please could you provide a copy of the percentage fees quoted by the short listed firms of estate agents?<br><br>4. Please can you clarify if the Authority's legal team has been involved in the sale of the properties to date, and if so, how many chargeable hours have been allocated to this project?<br><br>5. Please can you confirm if any external legal firm has been involved in the preparation of the sale specification document, and if so, what charges have been accrued by the Authority for this up until 13th December 2024 or a date around then. | Under our service level agreement, Northumbria Police provided the necessary support, as such your request may best be directed to Northumbria Police and they will be able to advise you if they hold this information or not. If you could confirm if you are in agreement for the OPCC to transfer/forward your request to Northumbria Police to process, then we would then be able to do this for you, alternatively you can submit your request directly to them via the following email address: freedom.info@northumbria.police.uk. |

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| | 1. *How many Riot Compensation Act claims did your claims authority receive between 30th July 2024 and 2nd January 2025? If possible, how many claims were in connection to the national disorder that took place between 30th July and 6th August 2024?* | During the period 30 July 2024 to 2 January 2025 we have received a total of 11 such claims, all of which were in relation to the national disorder which took place between 20 July to 6 August 2024. |
| | 2. *What is the value of Riot Compensation Act claims your claims authority received between 30th July 2024 and 2nd January 2025? Please provide: a)The total figure in pound sterling b) If possible, figures broken down by individual claim* | The information requested at points 2 to 5 forms part of an ongoing publication scheme, and any information not already published, that will be published at a future date is considered exempt, and by withholding this information we will rely on the following exemption:

**Section 22 - Information Intended for future publication** |
| | 3. *If possible, please provide the value of Riot Compensation Act claims your claims authority received which were in connection to the national disorder that took place between 30th July and 6th August 2024. Please provide: a) The total figure in pound sterling b) If possible, figures broken down by individual claim* | (1) Information is exempt information if -
(a) the information is held by the public authority with a view to its publication, by the authority or any other person, at some future date (whether determined or not),
(b) the information was already held with a view to such publication at the time the request for information was made, and
(c) it is reasonable in all circumstances that the information should be withheld from disclosure until the date referred to in paragraph. |
| | 4. *What is the value of Riot Compensation Act claims your claims authority paid out to claims made between 30th July 2024 and 2nd January 2025? Please provide: a) The total figure in pound sterling b) Figures broken down by individual claim, if possible, including the highest and lowest amounts claimed in pound sterling and any unsuccessful claims and their amounts* | This exemption requires us to apply a Public Interest Test to decide if the information you require should be released ahead of the publication strategy.

**Public Interest Test**

*Factors Favouring Disclosure:-*
Disclosure of information not yet published would enable the public to be better informed of such information, as this enables more accurate and relevant public comment and debate to take place. |
| | 5. *If possible, please provide the value of Riot Compensation Act claims your claims authority* | |

| | | *paid out to claims made which were in connection to the riots that took place between 30th July and 6th August 2024. Please provide: a) The total figure in pound sterling b) Figures broken down by individual claim, including the highest and lowest amounts claimed in pound sterling* | ***Factors Favouring Non-Disclosure:-*** The exemption engaged in this case specifically requires us to simply look at the public interest in delaying the release of information that will automatically be disclosed in the future. As it is known that this information will be published at a later date, to gather any information prior to the requirement to do so for the next scheduled publication, in order to answer this request would not be an efficient use of resources and finance as it would divert staff from their core duties and would involve a disproportionate use of resources, particularly at this time of economic concerns. **Balance Test** It is acknowledged that both accountability and public awareness are enhanced by the disclosure of this type of information. However, this will be achieved through the intended publication of the information. Therefore, at this time, for the reasons outlined above, the public interest is met by the scheduled publication of this data. In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 you should consider this to be a refusal notice under Section 17 of the Act for these parts of your request. You may be interested to know that the OPCC routinely publish information via the Disclosure Log. The aim of the Disclosure Log is to promote openness and transparency by voluntarily placing information into the public arena. The Disclosure Log contains copies of some of the information that has been disclosed by the Police and OPCC in response to requests made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Whilst it is not possible to publish all responses, we will endeavour to publish those where we feel that the information disclosed is in the public interest. |

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| | 1. What are the biggest challenges your organisation currently faces in surveying and geospatial activity?<br><br>2. Are you confident in your full knowledge of the condition and knowledge of your impact on our local environment?<br><br>3. What are your organisation's key strategic objectives for the next 12-24 months, and how does surveying and geospatial fit into these?<br><br>4. Please detail any planned development of sites or assets<br><br>5. Do you have a supplier for drainage mapping and surveying?<br><br>6. If so, please can you supply details of the contractual arrangements in place including date of award, details of any Framework used or link to the advertisement, contract value and duration<br><br>7. If not, please can you indicate what evaluation of the requirement for surveying and geospatial works have been undertaken?<br><br>8. Please share your planned procurement pipeline for surveying and geospatial works for the next 12 months<br><br>9. How do you engage with potential new suppliers—through open tenders, direct engagement, or supplier days? | No information held by OPCC.  Northumbria Police also have request. |

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| | 10. Please can you confirm the individual responsible for managing your surveying and geospatial contracts or wider development contracts and provide their contact details and role title?<br><br>11. Please provide a list of frameworks that you procure related services through<br><br>12. Do you plan to repurpose any sites for renewable energy or solar farms?<br><br>13. Do you have any issues with subsidence in your properties? If so, where?<br><br>14. When developing/purchasing/selling a site, how do you verify that the boundaries are correct? | | |
| 03/25 | Request for access to certain information relating to Custody Healthcare, which may be held by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner – Northumbria (OPCC). | Following receipt of your request, searches were conducted within the OPCC. We can confirm that the information you have requested is not held by the Police and Crime Commissioner.<br><br>Your request may best be directed to Northumbria Police, and they will be able to advise you if they hold this information or not. We understand that Northumbria Police is also in receipt of this request, and they will provide you with a response in due course. | |
| 04/25 | AI Strategy and Planning<br>1.     To what extent does your department have a clearly defined and documented AI strategy?<br>Please select one of the following options that applies. | No information held, advised that the sender may wish to submit their request to Northumbria Police. | |

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| | A. No AI strategy in place.<br>B. Initial discussions or ideas about AI, but no concrete plan.<br>C. A basic AI strategy is in development or has been drafted.<br>D. A well-defined AI strategy is in place, but implementation is in the early stages.<br>E. The AI strategy is being actively implemented with measurable progress.<br>F. A fully defined and implemented AI strategy is driving significant impact.<br><br>**2. To what extent does your AI strategy or goals align with the AI opportunities action plan? Please select one of the following options that applies.**<br>A. Unaware of the AI opportunities action plan or no attempt to align with it.<br>B. General awareness of the AI opportunities action plan, but no specific efforts to align.<br>C. Some aspects of the AI strategy or goals are aligned with the AI opportunities action plan.<br>D. Conscious effort made to align the AI strategy with the key principles and directions of the AI opportunities action plan.<br>E. Strong alignment between the AI strategy or goals and the AI opportunities action plan, with clear connections and shared objectives.<br>F. AI strategy or goals are fully integrated with the AI opportunities action plan, contributing directly to its successful implementation. | |

**3. What is the likelihood that your department's AI strategy will be fully implemented within the next two years? Please select one of the following options that applies.**

A. Significant obstacles and uncertainties make full implementation unlikely in the next two years.

B. Implementation is in progress but faces challenges that may delay completion.

C. Moderate confidence in achieving full implementation within the timeframe.

D. High likelihood of full implementation, with most key elements in place.

E. Almost certain to achieve full implementation within the next two years.

**4. How confident is your department that current AI governance structures are adequate for managing AI risks? Please select one of the following options that applies.**

A. No AI governance structures in place or serious concerns about their adequacy.

B. Limited AI governance in place, with significant gaps and areas for improvement.

C. Moderate confidence in current AI governance, but some areas of uncertainty remain.

D. Generally confident in the adequacy of AI governance structures to manage most risks.

E. Strong confidence in AI governance, with robust processes and oversight in

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| | place.<br>F.    Extremely confident that AI governance structures can effectively manage all foreseeable AI risks.<br><br>**5.    What percentage of your department's total budget is allocated to AI-related projects this fiscal year? How much is this?**<br><br>**6.    How does your department or agency assess the economic impact or cost-effectiveness of AI technologies? Please select one of the following options that applies and provide any relevant data or reports on AI's economic benefits.**<br>A.    No formal assessment: No systematic approach to evaluating the economic impact of AI.<br>B.    Qualitative assessment: Relies on anecdotal evidence, case studies, or expert opinions to assess the impact of AI.<br>C.    Quantitative assessment: Uses metrics, data analysis, and modelling to measure the economic benefits and costs of AI.<br>D.    Comprehensive evaluation: Includes both qualitative and quantitative assessments, considering a wide range of economic factors and potential impacts.<br><br>**AI Deployment and Use Cases** | |

**7. What is your department's current stage of AI deployment? Please select one of the following options that applies.**
A. No AI use cases.
B. Exploring opportunities
C. Planning for at least one AI use case.
D. Piloting at least one AI use case.
E. At least one AI use case is fully deployed.
F. Multiple AI use cases fully deployed.

**8. For your most significant AI use case, how confident are you that the expected benefits will be realised? Please select one of the following options that applies.**
A. No clear expectations of benefits or serious doubts about achieving them.
B. Some anticipated benefits, but significant uncertainty about their realisation.
C. Moderate confidence in achieving some of the expected benefits.
D. Confident that most of the expected benefits will be realised.
E. Strong confidence that the AI use case will deliver significant benefits.
F. Extremely confident that the AI use case will fully achieve or exceed its intended benefits.

**Risk Management and Ethics**
**9. How thoroughly has your department assessed the risks associated with AI deployment? Please**

**select one of the following options that applies.**
A.     No formal risk assessment conducted for AI deployment.
B.     Initial discussions about AI risks, but no systematic assessment.
C.     Some areas of AI risk have been assessed, but gaps remain.
D.     A moderate risk assessment has been conducted, covering key areas.
E.     A comprehensive risk assessment is in place, addressing a wide range of potential risks.
F.     A thorough and ongoing risk assessment process is embedded in AI development and deployment.

**10.     How confident are you that your department is compliant with relevant data protection laws when using AI? Please select one of the following options that applies.**
A.     Significant concerns about compliance with data protection laws.
B.     Limited understanding of data protection requirements for AI.
C.     Some measures in place to ensure compliance, but gaps may exist.
D.     Reasonably confident in compliance with data protection laws.
E.     Strong confidence in data protection compliance, with robust processes in place.
F.     Fully confident in compliance with all relevant data protection laws and regulations.

**11. How well does your department ensure transparency in the use of AI in public services? Please select one of the following options that applies.**

A. No efforts to ensure transparency in AI use.

B. Limited information provided to the public about AI systems.

C. Some transparency measures in place, but room for improvement.

D. Reasonable transparency in AI use, with public information available.

E. Strong commitment to transparency, with clear communication about AI systems.

F. Full transparency in AI practices, including open data and explainable AI.

**Data Residency and Sovereign Infrastructure**

**12. How does your department or public body ensure that its data storage complies with UK sovereignty and data residency requirements? Please outline any policies or regulations guiding data storage within UK borders.**

**13. Can you provide the proportion of data stored within UK-based infrastructure versus foreign cloud services (e.g., US-based providers) within your department/agency?**

**14. What measures are in place to ensure that your data storage solutions meet national security standards? Please**

| | | provide details of relevant frameworks or protocols currently implemented. **Energy Consumption and Efficiency of AI** **15. What is the estimated carbon footprint of your department or agency's AI operations (e.g., training, deployment) over the past year? Please include energy consumption figures if available.** **16. How do you track the energy usage of AI workloads, and are there any reporting mechanisms in place for sustainability goals? Please provide relevant metrics or guidelines.** **Data and Infrastructure** **17. How would you rate the quality of data used for your AI systems? Please select one of the following options that applies.** A. Data quality is poor and unreliable. B. Data quality is a concern, with significant issues. C. Data quality is adequate but could be improved. D. Good data quality with regular validation processes. E. High data quality with robust quality assurance measures. F. Excellent data quality with continuous validation and improvement. **18. What is the level of confidence in your department's digital infrastructure's ability to support current and future AI** | |
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| | | initiatives? Please select one of the following options that applies. | |
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| | | A. Serious concerns about the infrastructure's ability to support AI. | |
| | | B. Infrastructure limitations may hinder AI initiatives. | |
| | | C. Moderate confidence in the infrastructure's capacity for AI. | |
| | | D. Confident that the infrastructure can adequately support current and near-term AI needs. | |
| | | E. Strong confidence in the infrastructure's ability to support ambitious AI projects. | |
| | | F. Extremely confident that the infrastructure is future-proof and ready for any AI challenge.• | |
| | | **19. Does your department or agency currently use a hybrid infrastructure (i.e., a mix of on-premises and cloud services) for its digital operations, including AI applications? Please specify the proportion of services hosted on each type of infrastructure.** | |
| | | **20. What factors influence your department's decision-making process when choosing between public cloud, private cloud, or on-premises infrastructure for AI-related projects or services?** | |
| | | **21. What plans or initiatives are in place to ensure your department's digital infrastructure is scalable enough to meet future demands for AI-powered services** | |

| | | or technologies over the next 5–10 years?<br>**22. How does your department or agency ensure the quality of data used in AI-driven projects or services? Please provide any metrics, guidelines, or standards employed for data validation.**<br><br>**Skills and Training**<br>**23. How effectively is your department upskilling employees to use AI? Please select one of the following options that applies.**<br>A. No upskilling initiatives in place for AI.<br>B. Limited training available, with little focus on AI skills development.<br>C. Some training programs offered, but not comprehensive.<br>D. Effective upskilling programs are in place, providing employees with essential AI skills.<br>E. A strong focus on AI skills development, with comprehensive training and support.<br>F. A culture of continuous learning and development, ensuring employees are equipped for the AI-powered   future.<br><br>**24. Will you be relying on in-house skills for AI strategy development and implementation or seeking third-party services/consultancy**?<br><br>**Future Ambitions** | |

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| | **25.  How confident are you that your department will reach its AI ambitions? Please select one of the following options that applies.**<br>A.  Significant doubts about achieving AI ambitions.<br>B.  Low confidence in reaching AI goals.<br>C.  Moderate confidence in achieving some AI ambitions.<br>D.  Confident in achieving most AI goals.<br>E.  Strong confidence in reaching AI ambitions, with clear plans in place.<br>F.  Extremely confident in achieving and exceeding AI ambitions. | |
| 05/25 | | Referred to Northumbria Police |
| 06/25 | 1 - How many discipline hearings were held at Northumbria police head quarters between 20o10 and 2014<br>2 - how many were chaired by an officer of at least the rank ACC<br>3 - and can you provide me their name rank and number? | No information held. |
| 07/25 | 1) The number of roles across all components of your operations, directorates and management structures, expressed in numbers of full-time employees (FTE), that are mainly or exclusively focussed on issues of equality, diversity, or inclusivity. This information should encompass all roles based in central offices, as well as any based elsewhere<br><br>Roles meeting this description could include (amongst other guises) "Equality, Diversity and | No information held. Advised Northumbria Police may hold the information. |

| | | Inclusion Officer" (EDI) or "Diversity and Inclusion Project Managers". Please break down, if possible, the number of roles per component part of your operations.<br><br>For all roles meeting this description, please also provide, in order of preference, either a) the salary of these roles, b) the pay band of these roles, or c) the combined total salary of these roles. Please provide the information that is most in accordance with your data processing practices.<br><br>Please also advise if there are any plans to hire further staff in these areas within the next 18 months, and the roles/pay bands that they are likely to occupy.<br><br>2) With the same criteria as above, please provide the number of internal training courses attended by staff which pertain to the issues encompassed by equality, diversity or inclusivity. Please include the name of the courses, the number of attendees, and the duration of the course.<br><br>3) Please, if possible, provide details of any internal EDI practices and networks, including the number of individuals who are members of such networks.<br><br>4) Please provide details of any external contractors brought in by the organisation to conduct training, advice, or guidance on issues relating to EDI. Where applicable this should include costs and associated manhours. | |

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| | | 5) Please provide details of how equality, diversity and inclusivity is included in your procurement practices, the relative weight afforded to these considerations, and the current value of contracts in which EDI considerations was a part of the procurement process. | |
| | 08/25 | The amount of funding to be provided to organisations supporting sexual violence and abuse victim-survivors in your force area, for the 25/26 financial year. Please break this down by organisation funded, providing information about the nature of the funding arrangement, and the services to be provided by the organisation supporting victim-survivors of sexual violence and abuse, **using the attached spreadsheet template**. If you lead a Violence Reduction Unit, please also include the funding awarded to organisations supporting sexual violence victim-survivors by the VRU.<br><br>The total amount of funding to be provided to organisations supporting victim-survivors of domestic abuse in your force area, for the 25/26 financial year. | The OPCC will make direct contact with the sender, as the information is currently not available, but will be sent on to the sender when published. |
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