26th August 2016

I write following your FOI request. You wrote:

I would appreciate if you could help me to gather some information about non-rechargeable and rechargeable batteries used in equipment by police stations that your headquarters are responsible for. I would be thankful if you could provide the following information:

Total number of police stations:

Total number of employees:

- 1. What devices are non-rechargeable batteries used in?:
- 2. How many times does a police station order them per year? (on average):
- 3. How many non-rechargeable batteries does a police station order each time or per year?(on average):
- 4. Is the choice of batteries based on brand, price or quality?:
- 5. What devices are rechargeable batteries used in by a police station?:

If exact numbers are not available, I would appreciate if you could provide approximate figures as well.

This request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Regarding your request I can now inform you that I have completed my enquiries and that my reply on behalf of the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cleveland is as follows.

I am refusing your request under s8 (1) (b) of the FOIA.

Section 8 of the FOIA stipulates that a request for information must:

- be in writing;
- state the name of the requester and provide an address for correspondence; and,
- describe the information being requested.

Section 8 (1) (b) informs that the absence of a real name would make it technically invalid under Section 8(1)(b).

I cannot satisfy myself that the name provided "Iryna" provides me with sufficient evidence that this is a real name. As an example;

A requester named Robert Jones could call themselves 'Rob Jones', 'Bobby Jones', 'R Jones', 'Bob Jones' or 'Mr Jones'. However, they could not just use 'Robert', 'Bob', 'Bobby' or 'R.J'.

I am happy for you to re-refer your request to me and clarify the points I have made.

I can confirm that the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cleveland has a complaints procedure.

If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request a review by writing to:

Mr Stephen Hodgson, Solicitor, Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cleveland, Police Headquarters Ladgate Lane, Middlesbrough, TS8 9EH or you can follow the complaints procedure found on our website at: www.cleveland.pcc.police.uk

If you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF Telephone: 08456 30 60 60 or 01625 54 57 45 Website: www.ico.gov.uk

There is no charge for making an appeal.