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Date: 12th May 2015

Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000. MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: INFORMATION ON DRIVER TRAINING.

I acknowledge receipt of your e-mail of 15th April 2015 which we are treating as request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA 2000).

In your e-mails of 15th April 2015, you requested the following information:

1. **“Annual training department budget for your force from 2010 - 2015, as yearly figures, stating whether overall training is handled in-house or out-sourced. (If latter, please supply details of current supplier and next contract review / end date).**
2. **Annual Driver Training budget for your force from 2010 - 2015, as yearly figures, stating whether training is handled in-house or out-sourced. (If latter, please supply details of current supplier and next contract review / end date).**
3. **List of Driver Training courses currently provided by/to your force along with associated cost per person trained and average duration of each course.**
4. **Number of officers attending each course in 2014 and predicted number of each driver training course to be run this financial year, including predicted overall student numbers for each course this financial year.**

5. **Required overall budgetary savings by 2017, for your force. The following questions will only be applicable if your force provides in-house driver training.**
6. **Number of Police Officers and number of Police Staff engaged in Driver Training duties, broken down to managers, admin/office staff, driver trainers - Police officers /civilian staff and whether full time / part time or other (e.g. - secondment).**
7. **Average salary of both Police officer and Police staff driver trainers**
8. **Total salary expenditure for driver training department.**
9. **Number of driver training vehicles, broken down in to categories - standard car, advanced car, motorbike, van, specialist (e.g. - firearms, rescue), other (please state).**
10. **Annual service, maintenance and fuel cost(s) for driver training fleet”.**

I can confirm that a search for information in scope of your request has now been completed and I can confirm that some information in scope of your request is held.

1. **Annual training department budget for your force from 2010 - 2015, as yearly figures, stating whether overall training is handled in-house or out-sourced. (If latter, please supply details of current supplier and next contract review / end date).**

The Ministry of Defence Police (MDP) annual training budget for each financial year from 2010 to the current year has been £200k. Overall training is handled in-house.

2. **Annual Driver Training budget for your force from 2010 - 2015, as yearly figures, stating whether training is handled in-house or out-sourced. (If latter, please supply details of current supplier and next contract review / end date).**

No information held. The Ministry of Defence Police do not hold a separate 'Driver Training' budget, and all driver training is included in the overall annual training budget as in question 1.

3. **List of Driver Training courses currently provided by/to your force along with associated cost per person trained and average duration of each course.**

Please see attached table at Annex A. The "cost per person" is not recorded separately.

- 4. Number of officers attending each course in 2014 and predicted number of each driver training course to be run this financial year, including predicted overall student numbers for each course this financial year.**

Please see attached table at Annex A.

- 5. Required overall budgetary savings by 2017, for your force. The following questions will only be applicable if your force provides in-house driver training.**

No information held. The Ministry of Defence Police do not currently have any 'required overall budgetary savings by 2017'.

- 6. Number of Police Officers and number of Police Staff engaged in Driver Training duties, broken down to managers, admin/office staff, driver trainers - Police officers /civilian staff and whether full time / part time or other (e.g. - secondment).**

Two (2) MDP Sergeants and three (3) MDP Constables are engaged in Driver Training duties. These are full time driver trainers.

- 7. Average salary of both Police officer and Police staff driver trainers**

The average cap rate for a MDP Constable is £48,232.10 and for a MDP Sergeant is £55,115.67.

- 8. Total salary expenditure for driver training department.**

The total yearly salary expenditure for the MDP Driver Training department is £254,927.64

- 9. Number of driver training vehicles, broken down in to categories - standard car, advanced car, motorbike, van, specialist (e.g. - firearms, rescue), other (please state).**

The Ministry of Defence Police currently have 16 driver training vehicles. These consist of 4x4s (4), car (6), motorcycle (3) and quad bike (3). The cars are not identified as standard or advanced.

- 10. Annual service, maintenance and fuel cost(s) for driver training fleet.**

No information held. The Ministry of Defence Police Driver Training fleet are maintained by MOD contract.

If you are not satisfied with this response or wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Team, 1st Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, London SW1A 2HB (email CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate the case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website (<http://www.ico.org.uk>).

Yours sincerely

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