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Dear [REDACTED]

I am writing in response to your request for information regarding the below received on 4 March 2015. Your request has been handled under Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. In accordance with Section 1(1)(a) of the Act I hereby confirm that the CNC/CNPA does hold information of the type specified.

What is the breakdown of spend e.g. what percentage of work is completed on an hourly rate basis, capped fee, fixed fee etc.

All work is carried out on an hourly fee basis.

Who in your organisation is responsible for managing external legal spend

Legal Advisor, Richard Cawdron.

What controls do you have in place to manage external legal counsel spend

Procurement procedures are followed by providing derogations for each case.

Do you use any of the eBilling (also known as Enterprise Legal Management or Legal Spend Management) tools (e.g. Serengetti, Mitrastech, CT Tymatrix, Datacert etc.) available in the market to manage your legal spend – if yes what are you currently paying for this system and does the vendor charge your firms to use the same

No.

Do you use a matter management system and if yes how much do you pay for the system

No.

How do you decide if work is completed internally or by external counsel

Internal work will be completed where there is the ability to do so. External counsel will be used where further expertise is required.

What performance management do you complete with your external legal counsel to ensure you are receiving value for money

Charges are regularly benchmarked against other barristers from other chambers.

What is the breakdown of spend e.g. % of time billed by partner, by senior associate, junior associate, trainee and paralegals etc.

Breakdown of spend per Barrister from 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2015:

	Amount paid since 1 March 2013
Senior Counsel	£225,410.08
QC	£26160.00
Counsel	£4525.50
Counsel	£4869.12
Junior Counsel	£25379.78
QC	£12900.00
Counsel	£6225.00
Counsel	£3484.20
Counsel	£42688.94
Junior Counsel	£1922.48
QC	£15480.00 – not yet paid
Counsel	£4835.52
Senior Counsel	£450.00
Counsel	£360.00
Counsel	£142080
Counsel	£969.60
Counsel	£1299.00

What is the breakdown of your legal spend by location e.g. how much work is performed in London, Manchester, Birmingham, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Cardiff, Belfast etc.

Work has been performed in the following locations:

	Location
Senior Counsel	London, Edinburgh, Carlisle, Reading, Oxford
QC	London
Counsel	London, Oxford
Counsel	London, Oxford
Junior Counsel	London, Oxford
QC	London
Counsel	London
Counsel	London, Oxford
Counsel	London, Oxford
Junior Counsel	London, Oxford
QC	London
Counsel	Oxford
Senior Counsel	London
Counsel	London
Counsel	London, Oxford
Counsel	Oxford
Counsel	Oxford

How do you measure what value added services law firms provide to you (e.g. free advice, free training, free secondees etc.)

No free services have been offered.

Do you use external consultants to advice on how to manage your legal spend more effectively. If yes, who and what have you spent with them in the last 12 months

No.

We take our responsibilities under the Freedom of Information Act seriously but, if you feel your request has not been properly handled or you are otherwise dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, you have the right to complain. We will investigate the matter and endeavour to reply within 3 – 6 weeks. You should write in the first instance to:

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E-mail: FOI@cnc.pnn.police.uk

If you are still dissatisfied following our internal review, you have the right, under section 50 of the Act, to complain directly to the Information Commissioner. Before considering your complaint, the Information Commissioner would normally expect you to have exhausted the complaints procedures provided by the CNPA.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

FOI Compliance Team (complaints)
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

If you require any further assistance in connection with this request please contact us at our address below:

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Yours sincerely

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