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Dear

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: MONEY SPENT ON HIRE VEHICLES

We refer to your email dated 3 January 2019 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on the same date.

We are treating your email as a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA 2000).

In your email you requested the following information:

" How much money was spent in 2018 on hire vehicles for the police force? How much money was spent in 2017 on hire vehicles for the police force? How many vehicles were hired in 2018? How many vehicles were hired in 2017? What were the vehicles used for if known?"

A search for information has now been completed by the Ministry of Defence Police (MDP) and I can confirm that we do hold information in scope of your request.

# How much money was spent in 2018 on hire vehicles for the police force?

£248,511. The increase in vehicle hire costs during 2018 can be attributed to an increase in the requirement for longer term hire vehicles to support police training and police operations. However, the amount spent on vehicle hire by the MDP in both 2017 and 2018 is less than in previous years.

# How much money was spent in 2017 on hire vehicles for the police force?

£185,190

## How many vehicles were hired in 2018?

A total of 1721 vehicle hirings were recorded.

### How many vehicles were hired in 2017?

A total of 1784 vehicle hirings were recorded.

#### What were the vehicles used for if known.

Hire vehicles were used for a variety of purposes, including supporting police operations, police training and various administrative requirements.

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Yours sincerely

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