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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: TRAUMA TRAINING FOR POLICE OFFICERS AND STAFF IN CRITICAL ROLES.

We refer to your email dated 5th August 2022 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on 8th August 2022.

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:

I am currently undertaking a PhD exploring trauma in policing.

Please could you inform me whether your force Learning & Development team provide specific training in relation to trauma symptomatology to both police officers (regardless of role) and police staff in critical roles.

If you do, could you confirm;

- 1) whether this is delivered by in-house trainers or by an external company 2)the length of training (i.e 1/2 day / full day etc),
- 3) whether this is mandatory training and
- 4) for how long training in this area has been delivered (since 2010 / since 2019 etc)

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

Please could you inform me whether your force Learning & Development team provide specific training in relation to trauma symptomatology to both police officers (regardless of role) and police staff in critical roles.

The Ministry of Defence Police do not provide any specific trauma training to Police Officers although we do have officers trained in Post Incident Management - sourced via College of Policing. Officers also have access to the Police Firearms Association which officers counselling and coaching to armed firearms officers and their families.

If you wish to complain about the handling of your request, or the content of this response, you can request an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, Ground Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-FOI-IR@mod.gov.uk).

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Yours sincerely

MDP Secretariat and Freedom of Information Office