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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: INFORELATING TO MANAGEMENT OF BUSINESS INTERESTS AND ADDITIONAL OCCUPATIONS FOR POLICE OFFICERS

We refer to your email dated 02 October 2023 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on 03 October 2023.

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:

- 1. Between 2020 and 2023 how many requests for approval of an outside business interest has the MOD Police received, either by applicants to the MDP or serving officers. (In your response, please separate the two)
- 2. Within the same 3-year period how many of these requests have been rejected by the MOD Police professional standards department. Please specify:
- a. Outright rejections
- b. Rejection with conditions
- c. Approvals
- 3. Within the same 3-year period how many of the rejected business interests have been taken to the appeal stage.
- 4. Of those taken to appeal, how many of these resulted in
- a. Approval
- b. Rejection
- c. Approval with conditions
- 5. Please detail the business areas of all officers currently serving within the MDP with approved business interests to include current rank/grade.

The Ministry of Defence Police have completed a search for the information in scope of your request.

1. Between 2020 and 2023 how many requests for approval of an outside business interest has the MOD Police received, either by applicants to the MDP or serving officers. (In your response, please separate the two)

Applicants = no information held Serving Officers = 240

- 2. Within the same 3-year period how many of these requests have been rejected by the MOD Police professional standards department. Please specify:
- a. Outright rejections = 5
- **b.** Rejection with conditions = 0
- c. Approvals = 235
- 3. Within the same 3-year period how many of the rejected business interests have been taken to the appeal stage

No information held. If a case is appealed and overturned it is recorded as granted. If refused then the case is closed.

- 4. Of those taken to appeal, how many of these resulted in
- a. Approval
- b. Rejection
- c. Approval with conditions

No information held. If a case is appealed and overturned it is recorded as granted. If refused then the case is closed. A total of 157 requests, out of 240, are still live.

5. Please detail the business areas of all officers currently serving within the MDP with approved business interests to include current rank/grade.

Of the 240 applications received between 2020 and 2023, 167 are still live. Rank and category are detailed in the table below:

Details	PC	PS	Ins	Ch Ins	Supt
Armed forces/volunteer	34				
Business owner/partner	13	5			
Casual part time work	19		1		1
Charity work	12	5	1		
Child minder	1				
Computers/I.T.	1				
Committee member/secretary	2	1			
Driver	8				
Driving instructor	1				
Environmental Services	1				
Family business	4				
First aid trainer	2				
Freelance work art and design	1				
Gardener	1				
Health and beauty treatment/sales	2	1			

Musician	1				
Nursing/care	3				
Photographer/video media		1			
Police advisor for TV programmes	1				
Program/course - tutor/teacher	3			1	
Rent and lease property	16	4		1	1
School governor/committee	1				
Sport/leisure	15		1		1

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).

Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may raise your complaint directly to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not normally investigate your case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website at https://ico.org.uk/.

Yours sincerely

MDP Secretariat and Freedom of Information Office