



CIVIL NUCLEAR CONSTABULARY

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Dear Requester

I am writing in response to your request for information regarding the below. 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 not hold information of the specified type. The CNC does not carry out mobile phone data extraction, as we do not carry out the same function as home office police forces. Please see 'Context' below.

Your Request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I am writing to ask that you provide me with the following information on your use of mobile phone data extraction:

- 1. Does your police force currently carry out mobile phone data extraction in low level crime cases using self-service / downloading kiosks? Please provide your definition of low-level crime.**
- 2. Does your police force currently carry out mobile phone data extraction in serious crimes using self-service / downloading kiosks?**
- 3. If your police force is not currently using mobile phone extraction kiosks, have you trialled this in the past/do you have plans to in the future?**
- 4. Does your police force currently use Hubs to carry out mobile phone data extraction in (a) low-level crimes? (b) serious crimes?**
- 5. Do you centrally record mobile phone data extracted from kiosks?**
- 6. If you have a mobile phone extraction kiosk, please provide the name of the company(ies) which currently provide(s) the hardware /**

software / to whom you pay a license for the relevant tools. If contracts for these tools exist, please also provide the beginning and end dates of these.

7. Does your police force use analytics software to process, analyse or evaluate data extracted from mobile phones? If so, please provide the name of the software or provider.

8. How many officers currently carry mobile phone examination kits on patrol and/or in vehicles and/or for other operational use in (a) low level crimes? (b) serious crimes?

9. Please confirm whether or not a review has been conducted into the use of self-service kiosks.

10. Please provide copies of the current relevant force level and/or national level guidance for the use of downloading kiosks.

11. Please provide copies of the current relevant force level and/or national level policy for the use of downloading kiosks.

CNC Response:

The CNC does not carry out mobile phone data extraction.

Context:

The Civil Nuclear Constabulary is a specialist armed police service dedicated to the civil nuclear industry, with Operational Policing Units based at 10 civil nuclear sites in England and Scotland and over 1600 police officers and staff. The Constabulary headquarters is at Culham in Oxfordshire. The civil nuclear industry forms part of the UK's critical national infrastructure and the role of the Constabulary contributes to the overall framework of national security.

The purpose of the Constabulary is to protect licensed civil nuclear sites and to safeguard nuclear material in transit. The Constabulary works in partnership with the appropriate Home Office Police Force or Police Scotland at each site. Policing services required at each site are agreed with nuclear operators in accordance with the Nuclear Industries Security Regulations 2003 and ratified by the UK regulator, the Office for Nuclear Regulation (ONR). Armed policing services are required at most civil nuclear sites in the United Kingdom. The majority of officers in the Constabulary are Authorised Firearms Officers.

The Constabulary is recognised by the National Police Chiefs' Council (NPCC) and the Association of Chief Police Officers in Scotland (ACPOS).

Through the National Coordinated Policing Protocol, the Constabulary has established memorandums of understanding with the local police forces at all 10 Operational Policing Units. Mutual support and assistance enable the Constabulary to maintain focus on its core role.

We take our responsibilities under the Freedom of Information Act seriously. 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 request an internal review. We will investigate the matter and aim to reply within three to six weeks. You should write, in the first instance, to:

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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 expect you to have exhausted the internal review procedure provided by the CNPA.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

FOI Compliance Team (complaints)
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
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If you require any further assistance in connection with this request, please contact us using the details provided above.

Yours sincerely

Jo Sawley

Disclosures Officer