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Freedom of Information Request - Reference No: 20181670

REQUEST

I refer to your recent "tweet" where you advertise and invite the public to report "Non Crime" Hate Incidents. My application is to find out the following information.

- A. A copy of this policy in full
- B. Details of the process that arrived at the mandate for such a policy
- C. The name or ID Numbers of the Officer / Officers, who ratified the policy and when it came into force.
- D. The department who are responsible for investigating these reports and staff levels
- E. The finance that has been put aside for this policy
- F. The methods by which non crime hate incidents can be reported
- G. How many total reports you have had in relation to non crime hate incidents
- H. The details you require from someone reporting a non crime hate incident
- I. . What you did with the information received in relation to Investigation
- J. What you did with the information in relation to storage and retention

RESPONSE

I approached our Force Lead for Hate Crime, the Superintendent for our Barnsley District for assistance with your request. She has provided the following response:

- A. This is a national policy, not a local one - it is outlined in the CoP Operational Guidance on Hate Crime 2014 and reiterated in the HMICFRS report on Hate Crime published in July 2018. Both of these documents are available. Please see statement on our website yesterday for rationale from DCC Roberts.

<https://www.southyorkshire.police.uk/find-out/news/2018/september-2018/dcc-roberts-responds-to-online-comments/>

- B. As above, national policy.
- C. As above, national policy.
- D. There is no dedicated department for non-crime hate incidents.
- E. There is no finance set aside.
- F. Online, 101 or via 3rd party reporting centres.
- G. You have not specified a time frame, but for your reference: 1168 non crimes between 1st July 2016 and 30th June 2018 (2 year period).
- H. Same details as with a crime as we would not have at that point established whether a crime has or has not been committed.

I. All information received into the force is stored in accordance with the MOPI (Management of Police Information) guidelines. Details of which can be found on the College of Policing Authorised Professional Practice using the following link:

<https://www.app.college.police.uk/>

J. As I

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