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Freedom of Information Request – Reference No:20190745

REQUEST

- 1.How many officers and civilian staff in your force are connected to or participate in hunting/foxhunting/are members of hunts**
- 2.Is hunting/foxhunting a declarable interest or association**
- 3.If any officers and civilian staff in your force are connected to or participate in hunting.**

RESPONSE

Your request was transferred to South Yorkshire Police Information Compliance Unit to answer as an Freedom of Information Request.

I approached our Professional Standards Department for assistance with your request. This department records all business interests of Officers and Staff employed by SYP.

They advised:

If as member of staff is receiving some form of payment for an out of work activity it would be considered a business interest. In order to conduct this they would first require the authority of the Head of PSD.

I have checked the recording system and there are no business interest of 'hunting'.

Our response is "No Information Held"

Further details of registered business interests can be found at the following link:

<https://www.southyorks.police.uk/about-us/our-standards/gifts-and-hospitality/>

FOI legislation concerns recorded information within an organisation - public bodies are not obliged to create/work out to facilitate such requests. Further data regarding people participating in events are not recorded and therefore under the FOI Act our response would be one of "No Information Held"