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**Freedom of Information Request - Reference No: 20201550**

**REQUEST**

**1)The total amount of money spent by the force on LGBT Pride-style paint jobs on police patrol vehicles from January 1, 2017 to July 3, 2020?**

**How many vehicles have received the paint jobs in that time?**

**And of that figure, what are the vehicles - how many are patrol cars, motorbikes etc?**

**2)Also, can you please tell me the total amount of money spent on any other kind of Pride livery during the period from January 1, 2017 to July 3, 2020?**

**Of that figure, how many items of livery were designed in that time?**

**And what were the items - were they badges, lanyards, and things like that?**

**3)Also, how was all of this funded - did it come out of the force's budget?**

**RESPONSE**

I have approached several departments for assistance in your request, as all the information is not held centrally.

In relation to question 1, I approached our Vehicle Fleet Manager, who advised:

VFM have not spent any money on LBGT "Paint jobs". We do not have any vehicles marked or otherwise with this kind of livery. We put a rainbow sticker in the front or rear screen and they are supplied by Corporate Communications.

A Police Sergeant who was a previous Chair for the LGBT and Staff Association also advised:

We have tied a pride flag to vehicles when static at the events. We have also done for a number of years now, is every marked vehicle has a rainbow sticker in the rear window to show our inclusivity for the LGBT+ Network. One batch of these costs £600 and that cost will supply enough stickers for around 3 to 4 years of vehicle replacements. So far we have only had to have two batches of stickers made up over 8 years of us displaying them. The funding for the stickers comes out of the force budget

In relation to question 2, I have received the following responses:

From our Finance Department:

I can advise that our People and Organisational Department purchased 2 x SYP branded LGBTQ flags during the period at a total cost of £238.95, funded from our devolved budget.

Contributions were also made by the People and Organisational Department of £250 and the Equality Hub of £1,000 to be spent on Diversity/LBGQTQ events and promotion.

From Barnsley District Buisness Manager:

In May 2018 all of the districts bought a Pride Flag so we could display them on each of the main stations (4 in total) at a cost of £50 = VAT

From Sheffield District Business Manager

2 x Roller Banner signs £130.00

4 X 9M Pride Flags £13.95 each = £55.80

5X PRIDE FACE PAINTS £2.99 EACH = £14.95

25X RAINBOW LANYARDS FOR PACK =£28.80

These were funded by force budgets

Question 3 of your request – please see the above explanations.