Please ask for : Alethea Fuller Telephone Number: 0121 626 6060

Our Reference: 2025-00394 wmpcc@westmidlands.police.uk



Date: 16/04/2025

Dear FOI Applicant,

Thank you for your freedom of information request received in this office on **26 March** 2025 in which you asked:

'How much drug related litter did you collect over the last few years? Was the drug related litter specified (ie needles or nitrous oxide canisters) and if so, what was it? How many complaints for drug related litter have you received in the last few years?

In response to your request, I can confirm that the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) holds the following information:

How much drug related litter did you collect over the last few years? The OPCC does not hold this information.

Was the drug related litter specified (ie needles or nitrous oxide canisters) and if so, what was it? The OPCC does not hold this information.

How many complaints for drug related litter have you received in the last few years? The OPCC does not deal with complaints about drug related litter. We are a separate organisation to West Midlands Police and any complaint about drug related litter would be referred to WMP. As such, we would be unable to record how many complaints we have received. However, we do deal with some matters via our casework process, and we may be able to conduct a search on how much drugs related litter correspondence we have received if you are able to provide a timeframe for this.

In order to be of some assistance, please see the following contact details should you wish to submit your request to West Midlands Police.

Freedom on Information Unit

West Midlands Police PO Box Box 52, Lloyd House Colmore Circus Queensway Birmingham B4 6NQ

E-mail: foi@westmidlands.police.uk

Freedom of Information Right of Appeal

Any person who has requested information from the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) and is unhappy with the way their request for information has been handled can request a review of their case.

A request for review must be made in writing by letter or email. You should include the reference number of your request if you have it, and outline why you are requesting the review to:

Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner Lloyd House Birmingham B4 6NQ

Telephone: 0121 626 6060

Email: wmpcc@west-midlands.pnn.police.uk

All requests for review will be recorded. Receipt of a request for internal review will be acknowledged and the appellant informed of an estimated date for determining the outcome. The OPCC will attempt to respond to internal reviews as soon as practicable and in any case within two months.

All investigations will be undertaken by someone not involved in the original response.

The result of any internal review will be communicated to the appellant outlining the decisions taken.

If you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Telephone: 08456 30 60 60 or 01625 54 57 45

Website: www.ico.gov.uk

There is no charge for making a request for internal review or appeal to the Information Commissioner.

Yours sincerely,

Alethea Fuller

Deputy Chief Executive