



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

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FOI Reference number: FOI 38/2025

Date: 19 December 2025

Request.

I wish to make a request for information relating to your answer, you provided to a previous requestor concerning FOI 27/2025.

This relates to information you have about how public money was spent on additional medical assessments for eight former officers as part of an additional quality assurance exercise in the Autumn /Winter 2021

Initially you had said that the total cost of these assessments was £11,200 but when this was challenged you corrected your mistake and provided a new cost for the appropriate assessments as £5940.

In your most recent response contained within FOI 27/2025 you have helpfully provided a link which reflects the payments made to SMP/IMRs for the two different types of lawful assessments they would be asked to complete.

For a paper-based review the relevant clinician would be paid £340.

For an in person or a face to face assessment the Doctor would be paid £700.

You have also stated that there were nine assessments conducted by two Doctors and that they were all paper based reviews and not face to face assessments.

That scenario would produce a figure of £3060.

Request.

Could you provide me with the necessary documentation that accounts for the remaining £2880 public money

Answer:

An administration error occurred when a Board Official reviewed one case whereby two SMPs reviewed the case and made an assumption that all cases were reviewed by two SMPs. The

correct cost is £5,940. A separate fee was agreed for this one-off exercise, as it fell outside of the SMP's usual caseload.

If you have queries about this request or the decision, please contact the Board quoting the reference number above. If you are unhappy with the service you have received and wish to make a complaint or request a review you should contact the Board's Chief Executive -

Via Email: foi@nipolicingboard.org.uk

Or in writing at the following address:

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www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints

or in writing at:

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Wycliffe House
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