

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Decision notice

Date: 29 May 2024

Public Authority: Chief Constable of Northamptonshire Police

Address: Wootton Hall
Wootton Hall Park
Northampton
NN4 0JQ

Request:

The complainant requested information from Northamptonshire Police about its contracts with Maxxwave Ltd on 18 March 2024:

"1: Details of all contracts between the service (its agents and representatives included) and Maxxwave Ltd (I would suggest you begin your search with 'The Mounts Fire Station' in Northampton, but you should include all sites)

2: A summary of the relationship between the service & Maxxwave Ltd

3: A schedule of all payments made to, or received from (whether directly or via an agent) Maxxwave Ltd & what they were for - last 12 months

4: Copies of any communications between the service and Maxxwave Ltd (search suggestion - "Maxxwave.co.uk") - last 6 months

5: Where the service is acting as a customer of Maxxwave Ltd, please provide details of how the contract was awarded, when, other bidders, and the decision scores. If the service is not acting as a customer or user - please state clearly."

Commissioner's Decision:

A public authority will breach section 10 of FOIA if it fails to respond to a request within 20 working days. On 13 May 2024, the Commissioner wrote to the public authority, reminding it of its responsibilities and asking it to provide a substantive response to the complainant's request within 10

working days. The public authority has failed to respond by this date. Based on evidence available to the Commissioner, by the date of this notice the public authority has not issued a substantive response to this request. Therefore, the Commissioner finds a breach of section 10.

Steps:

The public authority must provide a substantive response to the request in accordance with its obligations under FOIA.

The public authority must take this step within 30 calendar days of the date of this decision notice. Failure to comply may result in the Commissioner making written certification of this fact to the High Court pursuant to section 54 of FOIA and may be dealt with as a contempt of court.

Right of Appeal:

Either party has the right to appeal against this decision notice to the First-tier Tribunal (Information Rights). Information about the appeals process may be obtained from:

First-tier Tribunal (Information Rights)
GRC & GRP Tribunals,
PO Box 9300,
LEICESTER,
LE1 8DJ

Tel: 0203 936 8963

Fax: 0870 739 5836

Email: grc@justice.gov.uk

Website: www.justice.gov.uk/tribunals/general-regulatory-chamber

Any Notice of Appeal should be served on the Tribunal within 28 (calendar) days of the date on which this decision notice is sent.

**Information Commissioner
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