Our Ref: IM-FOI-2021-2809 Date: 6<sup>th</sup> January 2022



## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

I refer to your recent request for information which has been handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

For ease of reference, your request is replicated below together with the response.

1. In respect of each of the years 2015-2021, please confirm what funding has been provided to Stonewall by: Police Scotland

The following amounts (exclusive of VAT) have been paid to Stonewall by Police Scotland:

Financial year	Spend £
2014/15	3,800.00
2015/16	10,800.00
2016/17	5,234.75
2017/18	2,500.00
2018/19	2,900.00
2019/20	2,631.67
2020/21	3,300.00

- 2. Please specify whether the funding in 1 above has been in the form of:
- (a) direct grants for unlimited purposes;
- (b) direct grants for limited purposes (in that event, stating the purpose);
- (c) payment for goods or services (specifying the relevant goods and services).

All amounts relate to payments for goods or services which can be further broken down as follows - Conference attendance £1,834.75, Membership fees (annual Diversity Champions Membership, Role Model Programme and/or Allies Programme) £29,200 and promotional material - £131.67.

- 3. Where the funding in 1 above has been by way of payment for goods or services, please specify:
- (a) what analysis has been conducted to ascertain whether these goods or services meet contractual and/or legal requirements;
- (b) what contractual or other recourse exists to reclaim in respect of goods or services that are defective, substandard or delivered in contravention of the law;
- (c) what steps are being taken to seek recourse for any such contractual or legal shortfalls.

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First of all, our Procurement team have confirmed they have no record of any contract between Police Scotland and Stonewall and so section 17 of the Act applies to that part of your question - the information sought is not held.

We have no record of any specific analysis of any of the goods or services having been analysed to establish whether they met 'legal requirements'.

Any spend with Stonewall placed with a Purchase Order (ie not covered by a contract) would be covered by Police Scotland standard terms and conditions that have provisions for recovering losses, expenses, costs and charges if the supplier defaults and the order is terminated.

I can also confirm that having consulted with our procurement team, there is no action ongoing currently in relation to seeking recourse for any shortfalls.

## 4. In respect of the payments referred to in 1 above, please state:

(a) What criteria were applied in deciding to make payments by way of direct grants;

As outlined at our response to question two, all of the payments were in relation to goods and services.

- (b) What tendering process was conducted with regard to provision of goods or services;
- (c) What alternative suppliers of goods or services were considered.

No tender process applied to the above spends.

Should you require any further assistance please contact Information Management - Dundee on <a href="mailto:foidundee@scotland.pnn.police.uk">foidundee@scotland.pnn.police.uk</a> quoting the reference number given.

If you are dissatisfied with the way in which Police Scotland has dealt with your request, you are entitled, in the first instance, to request a review of our actions and decisions.

Your request must specify the matter which gives rise to your dissatisfaction and it must be submitted within 40 working days of receiving this response - either by email to <a href="mailto:foi@scotland.pnn.police.uk">foi@scotland.pnn.police.uk</a> or by post to Information Management (Disclosure), Police Scotland, Clyde Gateway, 2 French Street, Dalmarnock, G40 4EH.

If you remain dissatisfied following the outcome of that review, you are thereafter entitled to apply to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner within six months for a decision. You can apply online, by email to enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info or by post to Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife. KY16 9DS.

Should you wish to appeal against the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner's decision, there is an appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law only.

As part of our commitment to demonstrate openness and transparency in respect of the information we hold, an anonymised version of this response will be posted to the Police Scotland Freedom of Information <u>Disclosure Log</u> in seven days' time.