



Response Date:04/09/2025

2025/904 - Special Constables

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

1. Complaint Investigations by Special Constables

- **All internal correspondence, memoranda, or guidance on PSD investigations undertaken by Special Constables into complaints against other Special Constables.**

Members of the Special Constabulary are not allocated complaint matters for "investigation".

- **Confirmation of each case in the past 5 years where a PSD officer who was also a Special Constable investigated a complaint against another Special Constable.**

Members of the Special Constabulary have not been employed within PSD in an investigative capacity during the last 5 years. PSD did at one point employ a Vetting Researcher who was a Special Constable, but they were not involved in the investigation of complaint cases.

2. Disclosure Failings

- **All guidance, training materials, or internal communications on disclosure errors, omissions, or failures.**

NWP's Disclosure material is sourced from national guidance (currently The Directors Guidance Sixth edition). We do not record disclosure errors, omissions or failures.

- **Records of internal/external audits, reviews, or assessments of disclosure handling in the past 5 years.**

We do not record any assessments / reviews on the handling of disclosure. Our Case Department will review the administration of unused material which falls under CPIA.

3. Single Justice Procedure (SJP)

- **Numbers of prosecutions commenced by North Wales Police under the SJP in each of the past 3 years, broken down by offence type.**

Justice Services do record the number of SJPs issued, however we do not record the break down of offence type.

- **Copies of all policies or memoranda regarding North Wales Police's role in initiating/managing SJP cases.**

NWP follows the national guidance for initiating / managing SJP's.

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4. Professional Standards Department (PSD) Complaints

- **Figures for the past 5 years of complaints specifically about PSD's handling of complaints (including those not escalated to IOPC).**

"Complaints" regarding the handling of complaints would be addressed by an application for "review" to the "Relevant Review Body". Therefore 251 review applications made during the period 20/08/2020 to 20/08/2025.

- **Copies of oversight reports submitted by PSD to Chief Officers, IOPC, OPCC, or HMICFRS regarding complaint-handling performance.**

PCC

The PCC publish an annual report that covers PSD scrutiny reporting which includes complaints.
[OPCC North Wales Annual Reports | Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner North Wales](#)

IOPC

NWP provide complaint data which is published on a quarterly basis.
[North Wales Police | Independent Office for Police Conduct \(IOPC\)](#)

HMICFRS

We do not provide oversight reports for complaints to HMICFRS

Chief Officers

The quarterly IOPC oversight data is shared with the chief officers. Please see link above for data.

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