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27th March 2025

Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI 261/25 Rural crime officers

I refer to your request for information received by Cumbria Constabulary on the 27th of February 2025. I note you seek access to the following information:

How many police officers and police staff were assigned to your Rural Crime Team, in FTE, as of the following dates

- a. 31st December 2024
- b. 31st December 2019

Your request for information has now been considered and I can confirm Cumbria Constabulary does hold some information relevant to your request and where this is the case I have today decided to disclose this to you.

The information in response to your request has been provided by the Constabulary's Human Resources Department.

Officers based within the Constabulary's Rural Crime Team are not solely responsible for investigating rural crime which occurs in Cumbria. All officers based within Neighbourhood Policing Teams in the County, have a responsibility for rural crime within their areas or responsibility.

The below table shows the number of officers based within each of the 4 Neighbourhood Policing Teams.

Date	Police Officer	Staff	PCSO
31/12/2019	58.83	4.00	72.91
31/12/2024	75.44	5.00	36.81

Whilst every care has been taken in the retrieval of the information provided, please do not hesitate to contact us for clarification, if you do have any issues or queries relating to this data.

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If you remain dissatisfied following conclusion of the internal review, you have the right, under section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act, to complain directly to the Information Commissioner.

The address for the Information Commissioner can be found below:

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

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in Cumbria Constabulary.



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