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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI 878/24 POLICE AUCTIONS

I refer to your request for information received by Cumbria Constabulary on 1st October 2024.
I note you seek access to the following information:

I'm writing to request information under the freedom of information act 2000.

- 1. I would like to know how much money has been made by the department from police auctions in the last 5 years broken down by year from 01 January 2019 to 01 October 2024.*
- 2. If you could also give me a figure for how much of the total money made during that time is from the auctioning of bicycles that would be much appreciated.*
- 3. Finally, and I appreciate this is subjective and probably outside the remit of an FOI request so discount it if no answer can be given, what is the strangest item that the department has had to put up for auction?*

On 3rd October, in response to our request for clarification, you confirmed you are seeking information for the Constabulary as a whole and not for a particular department.

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 provided below was retrieved from records held by the Constabulary's Finance Department and relates to an item held in a property store, which was unclaimed and where the original owner couldn't be traced.

1. The current financial year (2024/25) is the first year property has been sold by auction and therefore no information is held prior to this year. The total amount received, as of the date your request was received, is £3.76.
2. No bicycles have been auctioned.
3. This question is not a valid request for freedom of information purposes as the Act only applies to recorded information.

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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Complaint Rights

Your attention is drawn to the attached sheet, which details your right of complaint.

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



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