

COMMISSIONER CAROLINE HENRY

Ref: 1997.22

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Dear

Re: Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Thank you for your request for information, which was received by the Nottinghamshire Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner on 22 March 2022.

INFORMATION REQUESTED

- 1) a copy of the Constabulary's policy or procedure for the verification of the legitimate possession and use of prescribed medical cannabis/cannabis-based prescription medicine (CBPM);
- 2) if the Constabulary does not have a local policy regarding this, could you please confirm that the Home Office guidance is adhered to by the Constabulary namely that someone claiming the legitimate possession and use of medical cannabis will be expected to produce: the original medication container complete with the pharmacy dispensing label bearing the name of the patient; with either a copy of their FP10 prescription or a letter from the prescribing clinician; and a form of recognised photo ID (such as a passport, driving licence, or a PASS accredited photocard) bearing the same name as displayed on the dispensing label and the copy of the FP10 or clinician's letter:
- 3) if your Constabulary does not have a policy relating to this, could you please provide the Constabulary's policy regarding compliance with the PSED (Public Sector Equality Duty), especially with regards to the avoidance of discrimination against disabled people for the legitimate possession and use of a prescribed medication;
- 4) a copy of any internal briefing documents provided to police officers regarding the existence of and the process for the verification of prescribed medical cannabis flower or other CBPM's following the Home Office Circular 2018: 'Rescheduling of cannabis-based products for medicinal use in humans' and The Misuse of Drugs (Amendments) (Cannabis and Licence Fees) (England, Wales and Scotland) Regulations 2018 which allowed the prescribing of medical cannabis (CBPM):
- 5) the named lead for the Constabulary for matters pertaining to the verification of medical cannabis (CBPM);
- 6) the Constabulary's policy or position relating to the recognition of unaccredited card schemes such as Cancard or MedCannID, if such a policy exists.





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RESPONSE

Under S 1 (1) (a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), I can confirm that the Nottinghamshire Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner does not hold the information you have requested, however this information may be held by Nottinghamshire Police.

If you would like to forward your request onto Nottinghamshire Police, their contact details are provided below. If you would prefer for us to forward your request onto Nottinghamshire Police, please confirm this in writing.

The contact details for Nottinghamshire Police are:

Nottinghamshire Police Freedom of Information Sherwood Lodge Arnold Nottingham NG5 8PP

E-mail Freedomofinformation@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in the Nottinghamshire Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner.

Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter, please write or contact the Freedom of Information Officer on telephone number 0115 8445998 or e-mail carolinehenrypcc@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk

Yours sincerely

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