

Date: 22/11/2021

Our Reference: FOIA-2021-132

RE: Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write in response to your Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('FoIA 2000') request, dated 01/12/2021, which you requested:

"Having regard to reports that on 15th October, 2021, in Leigh-on-Sea, Essex Police prevented a priest from ministering the last rights to a Catholic in extremis, I shall be grateful if you will provide me with information indicating whether the College of Policing have, or propose to introduce, guidance for dealing specifically with requests for the last rights to be ministered in extremis."

Decision

When a request for information is made under FoIA 2000, a public authority has a general duty under section 1(1) of the Act to inform an applicant whether the requested information is held. There is then a general obligation to communicate that information to the applicant.

In line with section 1(1) of the FoIA, I can confirm the College does not hold information relevant to your request. However, you may find the following insert to our 'Investigation' APP of relevance.

Managing investigations (college.police.uk)

Yours sincerely,

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Your right of review

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 you have a right to request an internal review if you are dissatisfied with our handling of your request. Review requests should be made in writing (by email or post) within 40 working days from the date of our original response. We will aim to respond to your review request within 20 working days.

The Information Commissioner's Office (ICO)

If, after lodging a review request you are still dissatisfied, you may raise the matter with the ICO. For further information you can visit their website at <https://ico.org.uk/for-the-public/official-information/>. Alternatively, you can contact them by phone or write to them at the following address:

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