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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

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Dear requester,

Thank you for your recent request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Section 1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) places two duties on public authorities. Unless exemptions apply, the first duty at, **Section 1(1) (a)**, is to confirm or deny whether the information specified in a request is held. The second duty at, **Section 1 (1) (b)**, is to disclose information that has been confirmed as being held.

The information that you are seeking is in relation to the following:

REQUEST

1. Please provide the Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) Establishment for the financial years 2020-2021, 2021-2022, 2022-2023, 2023-2024 and 2024-2025.
2. In each of the listed years, what was the number of vacant posts for PCSO.
3. In each of the listed years, how many of the PCSO posts were funded by Welsh Government funding.
4. In the financial year of 2025-2026 what is the proposed/projected PCSO numbers in Gwent Police.
5. In the financial year of 2025-2026 how many of the number given in the answer to question 4 will be funded by Welsh Government funding.

RESPONSE

1. Please provide the Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) Establishment for the financial years 2020-2021, 2021-2022, 2022-2023, 2023-2024 and 2024-2025.

The budget as at 31st March at the end of each Financial Year as is follows:



Year	PCSO Budget FTE
31/03/2020	132.00
31/03/2021	132.00
31/03/2022	162.00
31/03/2023	172.00
31/03/2024	172.00

2. In each of the listed years, what was the number of vacant posts for PCSO.

The vacant FTE at the end of each Financial Year is as follows:

Year	PCSO Vacant FTE
31/03/2020	-14.34
31/03/2021	0.00
31/03/2022	0.00
31/03/2023	-4.13
31/03/2024	-23.05

3. In each of the listed years, how many of the PCSO posts were funded by Welsh Government funding.

Welsh Government funded the following for each Financial Year:

Year	PCSO Welsh Government Funding FTE
31/03/2020	101.00
31/03/2021	101.00
31/03/2022	121.00
31/03/2023	121.00
31/03/2024	121.00

4. In the financial year of 2025-2026 what is the proposed/projected PCSO numbers in Gwent Police.

135.00 FTE

Please note this a proposed budget and will be subject to approval.



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5. In the financial year of 2025-2026 how many of the number given in the answer to question 4 will be funded by Welsh Government funding.

Of the 135.00 FTE the current steer we have from Welsh Government is that they will be funding 61.00 FTE.

Please note, every effort is made to ensure that the figures presented are accurate and complete.

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You have the right to request an appeal from the Information Commissioners Office about your Freedom of Information request, if you are dissatisfied with your internal review response.

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Thank you for your interest in Gwent Police.