

FOI Ref: OPCC 33 - 2025

Request: Dated 11TH of November 2025

Request:

Good Morning

Under the FOI Act I am requesting information regarding your 'Whistle Blowing Policy' or lack of such a policy Can you direct me to your policy including the details of when it was implemented? Who is the responsible officer for your Whistle Blowing Policy?.

Is DPP OPCC signed up to the 'Safecall.system, similar to other Welsh OPCCs?

If you do not have a whistle blowing policy can you please provide the minutes of any meeting when the topic of whistle blowing was discussed.

Reasons DPP OPCC decided not to have a whistle blowing policy?

Response:

1.) Can you direct me to your policy including the details of when it was implemented?

I can confirm that the OPCC adheres to the Dyfed Powys Police Protected Disclosure (Whistleblowing) policy. Please find the policy and its procedure document attached below and as separate attachments to this email. The policy was implemented in January 2023 and the procedure document in November 2024.

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Both documents are published on our website via the Human Resources Policies on the website here: <u>hr-policies-opcc-amendments-public-09-2025.pdf</u>

2.) Who is the responsible officer for your Whistle Blowing Policy?

The officer responsible for the Whistleblowing Policy is the Senior Manager, of the Dyfed Powys Police Professional Standards Department.

3.) Is DPP OPCC signed up to the 'Safecall.system, similar to other Welsh OPCCs?

As the OPCC follows the Dyfed Powys Police whistleblowing policy the OPCC also adhere to the same reporting systems. The internal anonymous reporting line is provided by the "Bad Apple" system, Crimestoppers anonymous integrity/counter corruption and the routine Crimestoppers reporting line. This has replaced "Safe call" which is no longer in use.

4.) If you do not have a whistle blowing policy can you please provide the minutes of any meeting when the topic of whistle blowing was discussed

Please find the relevant policy attached to request point 1. Although we can confirm that the policy has been discussed in recent Joint Audit Committee meetings, the minutes of which can be found on our website here: Dyfed-Powys Police & Crime
Commissioner

In order to assist you in obtaining the relevant minutes please see below a list of the meetings and the minutes:

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- 31st of July 2024 2017-07-25 JAC Agenda English + links
- 29th of January 2025 2017-07-25 JAC Agenda English + links
- 26th of March 2025 2017-07-25 JAC Agenda English + links

5.) Reasons DPP OPCC decided not to have a whistle blowing policy?

As mentioned above, the OPCC adhere to the Dyfed Powys Police Protected Disclosure (Whistleblowing) policy.

Next steps:

If you are dissatisfied with our response to your request, you have a right to an internal review conducted by someone who was not involved in the handling of your request. You can request a review by contacting our office through the following:

• Email: opcc@dyfed-powys.police.uk

• Phone: 01267 226440

Online: <u>Dyfed-Powys Police & Crime Commissioner</u>

• Or through the post: Dyfed-Powys Police and Crime Commissioner, OPCC, PO Box 99, Llangunnor, Carmarthen Carmarthenshire, SA31 2PF

If you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request following an internal review you have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office who can be contacted through the following methods:

• Online: Make a complaint | ICO

• Phone: 0303 123 1113

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