**FOI Ref: OPCC 49-2023**

**Request: Dated 25 October 2023**

**Response: Dated 22 November 2023**

Question:

Please supply the following information, under the FOI Act.

1. What is the Police and Crime Commissioner currently doing to combat knife crime?

Please supply details of current initiatives.

1. What has been spent (£) on these initiatives?

Please supply figures for the past five years (calendar or financial) -- from 2018 to the present.

If possible, please supply this information in spreadsheet format (excel).

**Response 1:**

I can confirm that the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) does hold the information requested, as outlined below:

Answer:

1. **INTACT programme:**

Please see the following link (page 24-28) in relation to the work of the INTACT programme, funded by the Police and Crime Commissioner: <https://apccs.police.uk/media/8931/in-focus-innovative-and-effective-approches-to-tackling-serious-violence.pdf#/media/media/edit/28892>

INTACT is a multi-agency partnership to combat serious violence and organised crime. Part of the programme involves the delivery of knife crime awareness sessions to young people who have taken knives to school or have shown interest in knives.

**Knife Angel:**

Please see the following links in relation to the Knife Angel initiative hosted in Aberystwyth (2022) and Newtown (2020): <https://www.dyfedpowys-pcc.org.uk/media/11370/knife-angel-report-2022-final.pdf> and <https://www.dyfedpowys-pcc.org.uk/media/10256/knife-angel-in-newtown-final-report.pdf>

 **Out of Court Disposal (OOCD) Scrutiny Panel:**

Please see the following link to a review of knife crime produced by the panel: <https://www.dyfedpowys-pcc.org.uk/media/11749/2023-04-24-oocd-report-final.pdf>

**Response 2**

I can confirm that the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) does hold the information requested, as outlined below:

1. Costs associated with these initiatives for the last 5 years:

**INTACT programme:**

Force may hold expenditure information in relation to INTACT Programme. Police and Crime Commissioner has funded specific activity in relation to youth prevention activity as part of this however there are no direct costs linked to knife crime.

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| **Knife Angel** |
| **Location** | **Total costs** |
| Newtown (2020) | £8729.43 |
| Aberystwyth (2022) | £10,116.72 |

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| **OOCD Panel** |
| **Item**  | **Total costs** |
| British Sign Language translator | £966 |