



**METROPOLITAN
POLICE**

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Freedom of Information Request Reference No:

I note you seek access to the following information:

Request to know does Metropolitan Police Service (MPS) have any officers that are Protest Liaison trained and if so how many

Request to know What training is given to the officers to become a "Protest Liaison Officer"

I note the use of "protest liaisons as recommended by Her Majesty's Inspector of Constabularies Report into Protests following the G20 protests

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DECISION

I have today decided to disclose the located information to you in full.

Please find below information pursuant to your request above.

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The MPS currently has 30 officers who are trained as Protest Liaison Officers. The MPS is seeking to increase this number to 60. The MPS intends to use the name Police Liaison officer instead of Protest Liaison Officer.

The tactic was piloted during the Olympics and found to be very successful. As such the MPS has created a permanent Police Liaison Gateway Team which consists of one sergeant and three constables. The aim of the team is to develop, improve and maintain working relationships between the MPS and protest groups in order to facilitate peaceful protest.

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The National Policing Improvement Agency (NPIA) currently delivers a 2 day course.

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