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NORTH WALES
POLICE

Response Date:04/11/2026

2026/1116 - NPCC Motorcycle Clothing Circular

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

1. Receipt
Please confirm whether North Wales Police holds, or can identify having received, the NPCC motorcycle-clothing circular dated 22 September 2022.
Yes, we did

2. Consideration
If identified, please provide any readily identifiable existing record showing that the circular was considered by the force, for example an email, briefing, meeting minute, procurement note, risk-assessment record or decision record specifically referring to it.
Records don't go back that far; we would have discussed it with the motorcycle lead at the time (now retired).

3. Decision or consequence
Please provide any readily identifiable existing record showing whether the circular resulted in, confirmed or informed:

- **a motorcycle-PPE specification or standards requirement;**
- **a procurement or approved-product decision;**
- **amendment or review of a motorcycle-PPE risk assessment;**
- **amendment or review of an SOP or policy; or**
- **another recorded motorcycle-PPE decision or action.**

We did not take any particular action at that time as we were happy with the equipment we were issuing.

4. No-change decision
If the circular was considered but no change resulted, please provide any existing record documenting that outcome or the recorded reason for it.
This does not seek a retrospective explanation where no such record exists.
Discussion were mainly verbal at that time, records do not go back that far.

5. Current status
Please provide any existing record showing whether the 22 September 2022 circular is currently regarded by the force as current guidance, superseded guidance, historical/background material or no longer relied upon.
This request is deliberately limited to records directly associated with the attached circular. It does not seek a search of all motorcycle-PPE correspondence, wider NPCC engagement or individual officer mailboxes.
Where information is not held, confirmation of that position will be sufficient.

In June 2024 we carry out a full review of all motorcycle equipment and in 2025 we did replace a number of old items.

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 21/10/2026