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Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request

Information in relation to the costs and work completed on the case of Paul Gascoigne over claims of a sexual assault in 2018

Request

- 1. Please provide a breakdown of all known costs to the CPS of the prosecution of Paul Gascoigne over claims of sexual assault on a train in 2018;
- 2. Please disclose the known number of hours logged by staff working on the case, with a breakdown showing what their roles were.

Response

In response to point one, generally, where a request is made regarding prosecution costs, the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS) will endeavour to provide counsel's costs only. CPS West Midlands confirm that costs of £9,288.00 are recorded against one named QC and costs of £188.00 are recorded against another named QC.

The CPS does not record time spent by internal lawyers, paralegals and administrative staff on a case by case basis. Staff hours are therefore not recorded as described in point two. It is on this basis therefore that we are only able to provide counsel's costs.

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