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New Court Awarded Compensation Loans

Leicestershire Police have implemented a process to pay court compensation directly to officers once awarded by HM Courts and Tribunal Service (HMCTS).

In cases where there are delays in offenders paying compensation, it can be claimed tax free from the force as a compensation loan. This is to ensure that officers are not at a financial disadvantage.

An application must be made and if successful, Leicestershire Police will loan the full amount on the agreement that it is repaid in full as soon as it is received from the Court.

Follow this link to access the loan policy and to access for the form to complete.

To claim payment for compensation **awarded from 1st April 2019**, you must:

- Provide the Finance Department with a copy of the court order compensation letter received from HMCTS together with a completed loan application
- State at the bottom of the order BACS notification page **'I acknowledge receipt of loan monies totalling £xxx and agree any funds payable by the Court in respect of this compensation award should be made payable to Leicestershire Police towards repayment of the loan'** followed by the officer's signature
- Forward the paperwork to the Finance Department either by post or scan and email it to Finance2@leics.police.uk

The finance department will release a bank payment to you for the full amount disclosed in the HMCTS letter.

Officers must inform the finance department of any further correspondence from HMCTS relating to the payments.

For further information or to discuss compensation payments please contact the finance department (Pam Humphries Ext 330 8824)

Although the loans are currently in place for officers, they are being considered for PCSOs and front line police staff too. Further information will be provided in due course.

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