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|  | **Jim Katouzian**  **Governance Manager** |
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|  | 23 November 2023 |

I write in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request submitted on   
25 October 2023.

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) for Thames Valley has now considered this request, which for clarity, has been repeated below:

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| **Request**  Please supply the following information, under the FOI Act.  What is the Police and Crime Commissioner currently doing to combat knife crime?  Please supply details of current initiatives.  Continued.  What has been spent (£) on these initiatives?  Please supply figures for the past five years (calendar or financial) -- from 2018 to the present. | **Response**  Operation Deter  [Operation Deter will adopt a zero-tolerance approach to knives - Thames Valley PCC (thamesvalley-pcc.gov.uk)](https://www.thamesvalley-pcc.gov.uk/news/operation-deter-launches-in-mk/)  Knife Angel and associated activity took place in MK in December 2022 and in Slough in January 2023  [Milton Keynes takes a stand against violence in month of action - Thames Valley PCC (thamesvalley-pcc.gov.uk)](https://www.thamesvalley-pcc.gov.uk/news/milton-keynes-month-of-action/)  Knife Crime Conference June 2023  [The Knife Sentence - Thames Valley PCC (thamesvalley-pcc.gov.uk)](https://www.thamesvalley-pcc.gov.uk/our-work/campaigns/the-knife-sentence/)  Knife Sentence Campaign 2022  [The Knife Sentence - Thames Valley PCC (thamesvalley-pcc.gov.uk)](https://www.thamesvalley-pcc.gov.uk/our-work/campaigns/the-knife-sentence/)  2022/23                           £70,707.20\*  2023/24 to date               £53,229.95\*  \*prior to this there may be allocations to tackle knife crime via budgets or grants  i.e. Police budget, the Community Fund and Community Safety Grant. These figures pertain to specific spending on Knife Crime initiatives by the OPCC, as requested. |