West Midlands Police Freedom of Information

This is an information request relating to the cost of policing Premier League football games.

Please include the information for the recent Premier League season, from 13th August 2021 to 22nd May 2022:

• The total cost to the police force of policing Premier League matches. Please provide an estimate if an exact figure can't be provided

Football clubs are currently only legally obliged to pay for the policing on their "footprint", usually inside the stadium and surrounding car parks. The provision of "consequential policing" outside a football match (for example at a railway station or in the city centre), is currently the responsibility of the police.

• The total funds received from Premier League clubs, the Premier League, the FA or any other external organisation as contributions for policing Premier League matches

Please express this in a way that makes it clear how much it cost the taxpayer for the police force to police Premier League football matches

Please see below in respect of total funds received from Premier League clubs:

Wolverhampton Wanderers FC 21-22 £26,2574.05

Aston Villa FC 21-22 £279,375.05

Information provided is based on initial football fixture schedule when each game was agreed to be played.