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By email

Date: 14th April 2021

Our ref: FOI 2021/285

Reply contact name is: Abigail Standidge

Dear XXXXX,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 26th March 2021 concerning electric / e-scooters.

I am required by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to handle all requests in a manner that is blind as to the identity and motives of the requestor. Any information released as a response to a request is regarded as being published and therefore in the public domain without caveat.

Following receipt of your request, research was conducted by the Business Intelligence and Vehicle Recovery departments at Wiltshire Police.

Your request for information has now been considered and I am able to respond as follows.

You wrote:

- 1) Please provide the number of reported incidents involving electric scooters (i.e. the term "electric scooter" or "e-scooter" is mentioned in the incident report);
- 2) If it is within the time/cost limit set by the FOI Act, please provide a brief description and the month of each reported incident listed in your answer to question;
- 3) How many e-scooters / electric scooters that have been seized by your police force?

Please provide answers to questions 1-3 for the calendar years 2018, 2019, 2020 and for the period 1 January 2021 to 31 March 2021 (or up to the latest date for which you have data).

Our response

- 1) Please provide the number of reported incidents involving electric scooters (i.e. the term "electric scooter" or "e-scooter" is mentioned in the incident report);
- 2) If it is within the time/cost limit set by the FOI Act, please provide a brief description and the month of each reported incident listed in your answer to question;

See below table for response to questions 1 and 2.



Please note, this data was obtained by completing a summary search for the terms “electric scooter” and “e-scooter”. This type of search will only provide results where the terms were included in the summary field of an occurrence. It is therefore possible the results from this search may not be accurate, given the search could leave out incidents whereby the search term is mentioned in the occurrence log only (and therefore would not be returned in the results), the term being misspelt etc. To get accurate results would require a manual search of each crime within the specified timeframe to deem if they were relevant to your request.

Count of Searched word	Year				
	2018	2019	2020	2021	Grand Total
-	2	5	169	63	239
Assault occasioning actual bodily harm (Section 47)		2	1		3
Attempted burglary in a dwelling - distraction		1	2	1	4
Burglary in a building other than a dwelling			4		4
Causing intentional harassment, alarm or distress (S4A POA)				1	1
Common assault (S39) and assault without Injury (class 105A)			2		2
Criminal Damage to other property valued under £5000			1		1
Robbery				1	1
Theft from shops and stalls (Shoplifting)	1		1		2
Theft in a dwelling other than from an automatic machine or meter			1		1
Theft or unauthorised taking of a motor vehicle			2	1	3
Theft other	1	1	3	1	6
Unauthorised taking of conveyance other than motor vehicle or pedal cycle				1	1
Vehicle Interfering/tampering - Motor Vehicle			1		1
Grand Total	4	9	187	69	269

3) How many e-scooters / electric scooters that have been seized by your police force? 5

I am satisfied that all the relevant information has been passed to me and been considered in the light of your request within the time constraints applicable under the legislation.

Wiltshire Police would like to thank you for the interest that you have shown in the Force.

Yours sincerely

Abigail Standidge

Force Disclosure Decision Maker

Wiltshire Police offers a re-examination of your case under its review procedure.



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Freedom of Information Request Appeals Procedure

1. Who Can Ask for a Review

Any person who has requested information from Wiltshire Police, which has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act, is entitled to complain and request an internal review, if they are dissatisfied with the response they received.

2. How to Request a Review

Requests for review of a Freedom of Information request must be made in writing to the:

Force Disclosure Unit
Wiltshire Police Headquarters,
London Road, Devizes,
Wiltshire,
SN10 2DN

Email at disclosure@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk.

The reference number, date of the request and details of why the review is being requested must be included. Requests for review should be brought to the attention of the Force Disclosure Unit within 20 working days of the Force's response to the original FoI request.

3. Review Procedure

Receipt of a request for review will be acknowledged in writing to include confirmation of the reasons for the review. The review will be conducted by another Decision Maker, who is independent from the original Decision Maker. The Force Disclosure Unit will set a target date for a response. The response will be made as soon as is practicable with the intention to complete the review within twenty working days. In more complex cases the review may take up to 40 working days.

The Independent Decision Maker will conduct a review of the handling of the request for information and of decisions taken, including decisions taken about where the public interest lies in respect of exempt information where applicable. The review enables a re-evaluation of the case, taking into account the matters raised by the complaint.

4. Conclusion of the Appeal

On completion of the review the Independent Decision Maker will reply to the complainant with the result of the review. If the complainant is still dissatisfied following the review they should contact the Information Commissioner to make an appeal. The Information Commissioner can be contacted via the following details:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
Tel: 01625 545 700
Fax: 01625 524 510
Email: mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk

Please note that the ICO's offices will be closed for the foreseeable future and are therefore unable to receive correspondence via post.

If you should wish you contact them, please visit <https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/>