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XXXXXX – by E mail

Date: 14th September 2021

Your ref: FOI

Our ref: FOI 2021 / 726

Reply contact name is: Nick Penny

Dear XXXXXX,

I write in connection with your request for information dated 8th September 2021 concerning Serial Speeding Offenders in Gastard and Corsham.

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.

Your request for information has now been considered and – having consulted our Justice Traffic and Community Speedwatch Teams - I am now able to respond as follows.

You wrote (and our Response) :

I'm the XXXXXX XXXXXX responsible for Gastard near Corsham. There are issues with speeding through the village/hamlet and we have a Speedwatch Team that operate regularly.

I have seen various statistics including an FOI relating to tickets issued.

What I would like to know is the numbers of serial offenders over time to see if Speedwatch and SID deployment is having an effect.

Much speeding is by local people familiar with a road. Reminding them of the limit is what Speedwatch and SIDs do. However, some people require more than this. My understanding is that serial offenders should receive a visit from the Police.

In this case I believe a serial offender is deemed someone who has offended 3 times or more within a period – **could you let me know the definition.**

A repeat offender is a vehicle registration number that is on our system three or more times. This does not relate to the offender, only the vehicle.



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Please Note :-

The Community Speedwatch Team hold VRN's for a maximum of two years after which they are removed from our system(s). As such we currently hold data only for the period of 1st September 2019 to 14th September 2021.

Within this period there have been no repeat offenders recorded by the Gastard team. There is no separate CSW Team for Corsham itself.

As such CSW will not have requested any Community Policing Team actions involving repeat offenders during this period and there are no raw numbers of repeat offenders to provide.

Our Justice Traffic Team have reviewed the locations of Gastard and Corsham from an enforcement perspective and have confirmed that there have been no FPN's (Fixed Penalty Notices), Traffic Offence Reports or Court Processes commenced for the locations of either Gastard or Corsham for the for the time periods you have requested.

Also, what I would like to know is :-

1. How many serial offenders (for speeding offences in either Corsham or Gastard) have had visits broken down by year ie. 2015,2016,2017,2018,2019,2020 inc. 2021 year to date

None – see note above

2. Above as a percentage of serial offenders in each year

Not applicable by virtue of the answers already given

3. As in 1 above but the raw numbers of serial offenders.

None – see note above

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,

Nick Penny
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 Fol 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

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