



Our Ref: 004043/20

Your Ref:

Address Correspondence to: Information Management

Date 15 December 2020

Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your request for information received 04/12/2020.

I note you seek access to the following information:

From February 1, 2020 to November 30, 2020 please provide me with the number of assaults on police officers broken down by month.

For each month, please also provide me with the number of assaults on police officers which included 'spitting', 'biting' or 'coughing', and the outcome for each.

From February 1, 2019 to November 30, 2019 please provide me with the number of assaults on police officers broken down by month.

For each month, please also provide me with the number of assaults on police officers which included 'spitting', 'biting' or 'coughing'.

Following receipt of your request, searches were conducted within Leicestershire Police to locate information relevant to your request.

Your request for information has now been considered and the information asked for is as follows: -

Please see attached spreadsheet containing information relating to your request.

Please note that these are offences recorded under 'Assault on a Police Officer' and as such will not include any Police Staff.

The Offences 'including spitting, biting or coughing' does not necessarily mean that the assault on the Officer included any of these actions, this may be part of an initial Offence where an Officer was assaulted during resisted arrest, to provide those where an Officer was specifically bitten, spat at or coughed at would invoke section 12 as would require a manual review of these records.

Some Offences may be ongoing and therefore outcomes have not been recorded for all offences.

Leicestershire Police provides you the right to ask for a re-examination of your request under its review procedure. Letters should be addressed to Information Manager, Corporate Services Department at the above address. If you decide to request such a review and having followed the Force's full process you are still

dissatisfied, then you have the right to direct your comments to the Information Commissioner who will give it consideration.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Officer
Leicestershire Police

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