



Our Ref: 000649/21

Your Ref:

Address Correspondence to: Information Management

Date 22 March 2021

Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your request for information received 24/02/2021.

I note you seek access to the following information:

I would like to submit an FOI request on upskirting, which was made a specific offence under the Voyeurism Act and came into force on April 12 2019.

- 1. In the year January 1 2020 to December 31 2020 (or the nearest date to this point for which data is available), please could you tell me the number of allegations of upskirting reported to police?*
- 2. Where possible, please break down the date of when the incident was alleged (month is fine).*
- 3. Where possible, please state the details of allegation (basic details such as what is alleged to have happened, the age and sex of the alleged victim, where known).*
- 4. Where possible, please state whether the allegation ever formed some part of a criminal charge (and, where possible, details of any prosecution).*

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 be aware that prosecutions data is held by HMCTS and as such a direct request to them would be required for that information.

Any further information if considered exempt by virtue of Section 40.

Section 40 (2) – Personal Information

Section 40(2) is a class based absolute exemption and as such legislators have identified that there would be harm in disclosure and there is no requirement to evidence this or consider the public interest test. However, as Section 40(2) is engaged and in order to make the exemption absolute we need to evidence that a data protection principle would be breached by disclosure. In this case it would not be fair to process confidential information which could lead to the identification of

an individual, therefore the first principle of the Data Protection Act would be breached.

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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