



Our Ref: 000886/21

Your Ref:

Address Correspondence to: Information Management

Date 13 April 2021

Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your request for information received 16/03/2021.

I note you seek access to the following information:

Please could you provide any information that you hold on the following questions in relation to the years 2018, 2019, 2020 and so far in 2021:

- 1) Including both civil staff and police officers, both uniformed and plain clothed, including those now retired or no longer employed and also those currently suspended, how many members of the force's staff faced misconduct proceedings for sexual misconduct and what was the outcome.*
- 2) Including both civil staff and police officers, both uniformed and plain clothed, including those now retired or no longer employed and also those currently suspended, how many members of the force's staff were arrested for sexual offences.*
- 3) Please provide all recorded prosecutions of serving police officers that have been charged with a sexual offence against a fellow officer.*

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: -

1. In the time period 2018-2021, 2 people have been dismissed and one would have been dismissed following misconduct proceedings for sexual misconduct.
2. In the time period 2018-2021, 5 people were arrested for sexual offences.
3. Information relating to this request is considered exempt by virtue of section 40(2).

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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