



Our Ref: 001123/21

Your Ref:

Address Correspondence to: Information Management

Date 28 April 2021

Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your request for information received 31/03/2021.

I note you seek access to the following information:

How many reports of sexual abuse or sexual harassment has the police force received from schools in each year since 2010?

If possible, please give the name of the school that reported the incident and a brief description of each of the reports e.g. male student touched female student inappropriately.

Please can you tell me what the outcome of these reports was i.e. whether the report was investigated, whether anyone was arrested or charged or received a warning.

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 the spreadsheet attached to the Email.

There is no such crime type as 'Sexual Harassment' therefore 'Harassment' Offences have been provided.

Leicestershire Police are only able to provide information from 28th April 2015 the commencement of our current crime recording system up to 18th April 2021.

Leicestershire Police are only able to provide those where the employment status has been provided in order to be able to identify those reported by schools.

The names of the schools have not been provided by virtue of a Section 40(2) exemption as this may identify individuals. I have provided the area of Leicester/Leicestershire where the school is situated.

Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires Leicestershire Constabulary, when refusing to provide such information (because the information is exempt) to provide you the applicant with a notice which: (a) states that fact, (b) specifies the exemption in question and (c) states (if that would not otherwise be apparent) why the exemption applies.

The exemption(s) applicable to the information are as follows.

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.

You should consider this to be a refusal under section 17 of the Act for that part of your request.

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.

Freedom of Information Officer
Leicestershire Police

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