



Our Ref: 001656/21

Your Ref:

Address Correspondence to: Information Management

Date 01 June 2021

Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your request for information received 14/05/2021.

I note you seek access to the following information:

1. *How many police officers with your force have been found to have breached coronavirus (COVID-19) restrictions?*
2. *For each police officer found to have breached coronavirus (COVID-19) restrictions, could you tell me their rank?*
3. *For each police officer found to have breached coronavirus (COVID-19) restrictions, could you briefly outline the details of the case, the date it occurred and the outcome (e.g. fine issued) and whether the officer still works for your force?*
4. *How other many members of staff employed by your force (i.e. members of staff who are not police officers) have been found to have breached coronavirus (COVID-19) restrictions?*
5. *For each case listed in your answer to question 4, could you briefly outline the details of the case, the date it occurred and the outcome (e.g. fine issued) and whether the member of staff still works for your force?*

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: -

Leicestershire Police have recorded *ONE* member of staff who has been issued a fixed penalty notice for breaching coronavirus regulations. This was issued in April 2021. The person is still employed by the Force.

Any further detail 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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