



Our Ref: 004098/23
Address Correspondence to: Information Management
Date: 07 November 2023

Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write in connection with your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), received on 16/10/2023 in which you requested the following information:

How many times have the police carried out speed monitoring sessions within the villages of Kibworth Beauchamp and Kibworth Harcourt in Leicestershire in the last 15 years.

If they have been carried out where was this, which day, at what time of the day and how many people were caught speeding. For those caught speeding what was the actual legal limit on the stretch of road and what limit did the police allow before taking note of the speeding vehicle. For all those caught speeding what follow up occurred. Written letter, fine, ban etc..

I can confirm, pursuant to s1(1)(a) of FOIA that this Force does hold the information you have requested.

Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires Leicestershire Police, 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 12 – Cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit.

Section 12 of the act does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information should the authority estimate that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.

540 records would need to be manually reviewed which would in itself exceed 18 hours,

In order, therefore to retrieve the information you have requested would therefore be in excess of the 18 hours specified by the Home Office as the time period for which a police force should allocate to a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

In the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004, the current regulatory limit which has been set by the Secretary of State for public authorities, which includes the police service, is £450 for the marginal costs which are the costs of finding, sorting, editing or redacting information and disbursements (printing, photocopying etc). The Association of Chief Police Officers have agreed a national standard of an hourly rate of £25 is to be charged for the time taken. In

essence therefore, the costs equate to 18 hours work per request. It will be apparent therefore that within the time frame of 18 hours it will not be possible to extract the information to answer any of your questions.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, this letter acts as a Refusal Notice under s12(1) as the cost of providing you with the information is above the amount to which we are legally required to respond i.e. the cost of locating and retrieving the information exceeds the "appropriate level" as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004.

Leicestershire Police provides you the right to ask for a re-examination of your request under its review procedure. Letters should be addressed to the 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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