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Anti-Social Behaviour Orders issued to sex workers since 2019

Request:

Under the right of access to documents in the EU treaties, as developed in Regulation 1049/2001, I am requesting documents which contain the following information:

From the period 2019 to date:

- 1. Statistics/figures/documents showing fines and orders issued in relation to sex workers under the Anti-Social-Behavioural-Order made in Great Britain
- 2. Geographical location of where these fines and orders were issued

In particular, I am looking for:

- Police reports, fines, documents
- 3. A list of fines and orders under ASBO in relation to non-UK national sex workers

Response:

Your request has been handled under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("the FOIA"), which provides a right of access, subject to specified exemptions, to recorded information held by a public authority. In the case of the House of Lords, the rights of access apply to recorded information held by the House of Lords Administration.

The House Administration does not hold the information you have requested. The House of Lords is not involved in issuing anti-social behaviour orders. This type of information is more likely to be held by the organisation responsible for the activities described such as the issuing of anti-social behaviour orders; the House of Lords is not responsible for this.

Outside the provisions of the FOIA, we hope the following advice may be of help to you.

In the first instance, you may wish to note that ASBOs were replaced by Civil Injunctions and Criminal Behaviour Orders (CBOs) in England, Wales and Northern Ireland in 2014. Police, councils and some other organisations can apply to court to give a Civil Injunction to anyone over 10 years old for anti-social behaviour. Further information about Civil Injunctions and CBOs can be found here:

https://www.gov.uk/civil-injunctions-criminal-behaviour-orders

It is possible that the information you are seeking may not be held by any one single organisation. If you have not already done so, you may wish to consider contacting police services or local authorities. You might also try contacting the Crown Prosecution Service, which may hold some relevant information (although we cannot confirm this).

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