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Your ref:

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Dear Mr Sirrell

I write in response to the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request submitted on 2 November 2018. Thames Valley Police has now considered this request, which for clarity, has been repeated below:

<u>Request</u>	<u>Response</u>
Please disclose the number of misconduct in a public office cases reported to Thames Valley Police in the last five years.	Please see attached data sheet.
Please also disclose the number of people prosecuted and convicted for misconduct in a public office the Thames Valley area in the last five years.	Thames Valley Police can confirm that it holds further information regarding element three of the request, but is engaging the following exemptions. Section 40(2):Personal information
If possible, please disclose the number of people reported, prosecuted and convicted for misconduct in a public office in Wokingham and in Bracknell.	See below for further explanation.

Section 40: Personal information

Information disclosed under the Freedom of Information Act is disclosed into the public domain, effectively to the world, not just to one individual. To provide an annual breakdown of the charges and information regarding whether convictions resulted for offences in the Bracknell and Wokingham area could publicly reveal information about an individual or individuals, thereby breaching the right to privacy afforded to persons under the Data Protection Act 2018. With the location and offence already known, this becomes a more likely risk.



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When disclosing information would breach an individual's rights under the Data Protection Act 2018, Section 40 becomes an absolute exemption, and there is no requirement for me to provide evidence of the prejudice that would occur, or to conduct a public interest test.

Complaint Rights

If you are dissatisfied with the handling procedures or the decision made by Thames Valley Police, you can lodge a complaint with the force to have the decision reviewed within two months of the date of this response. Complaints should be made in writing to the FOI inbox; publicaccess@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk.

If, after lodging a complaint with Thames Valley Police, you are still unhappy with the outcome, you may make application to the Information Commissioner at the Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

If you require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Yours sincerely

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