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Dear HPMG,

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

I write in response to the above referenced Freedom of Information request submitted on the 07/01/2020, Hampshire Constabulary has now considered this request, which has been repeated below and have responded accordingly.

Request Response

Cautions for Domestic Violence -

Hampshire Constabulary piloted a scheme which was rolled out throughout the force in 2015 where first time offenders would receive a conditional caution and attend a 2 day course.

To evaluate the effectiveness of the scheme figures would be collated to see how many of those offenders re-offended,

- 1. How many offenders received a conditional caution for the years 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019?
- 2. In total how many offenders who received a conditional caution on this scheme re-offended?

Hampshire Constabulary does not hold this information in a retrievable format. The cost of determining if the information is held, locating and retrieving the information exceeds the 'appropriate level' as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004. It is estimated that it would cost more than £450 to comply with your request.

With regards to Domestic Violence, Hampshire Constabulary runs a course called CARA (Conditional Cautioning and Relationship Abuse). Information relating to whether an individual attended the CARA course and if they subsequently reoffended would be held within the body of the report. Each crime associated with each conditional caution would have to be manually interrogated and the information requested collated. This review would







exceed the cost limit under FOI.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, if one element of a request exceeds the statutory cost limit, the whole request may be refused on grounds of cost. As such, this letter acts as a Refusal Notice in respect of your whole request. This does not, however, preclude us from supplying some information that is relevant to your request as a gesture of assistance and with this in mind we have provided some information below.

Information Provided

Although excess cost removes the force's obligations under the Freedom of Information Act, I have supplied some information below, relative to your request. I trust this is helpful, but it does not affect our legal right to rely on the fees regulations for the remainder of your request.

The table below shows the total number of conditional cautions, where the Domestic Flag has been applied, for the date range 01/01/2015 – 31/12/2019.

Year	Total
2015	113
2016	159
2017	205
2018	220
2019	261
Grand Total	958

COMPLAINT RIGHTS

If you are dissatisfied with the handling procedures or the decision made by Hampshire Constabulary, you can lodge a complaint with the force to have the decision reviewed within 2 months of the date of this response. Complaints should be made in writing to the Public Access office at the address at the top of this letter.

If, after lodging a complaint with Hampshire Constabulary, 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, via telephone on 0303 123 1113 or 01625 545745 or at the website www.ico.org.uk







Yours sincerely

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