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**Force Disclosure Unit** 

Roland Barber By email

Date: 23 March 2018 Your ref: Our ref: FOI 2018-031

Reply contact name is: Sue Mayell

#### Dear Roland

I write in connection with your request for information dated 9 January 2018 concerning fixed penalty notices.

I am required by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to handle all requests in a manner that is blind as to the identity and motives of the requestor. Any information released as a response to a request is regarded as being published and therefore in the public domain without caveat.

Following receipt of your request research was conducted by the Criminal Justice Traffice Unit at Wiltshire Police.

Your request for information has now been considered and I am able to respond as follows.

Your questions and our responses:

I am aware that some police forces are no longer issuing 'on the spot' fixed penalty notices for road traffic offences but issuing a Road Traffic Report instead pending a later decision as to whether or not a prosecution takes place or if a National Driver Offender Retraining Course is suitable or appropriate.

Can you please confirm whether your force:

- Still issue fixed penalty notices
   Currently we do still issue fixed penalty notices.
- Carry out the same or similar procedures.
   We do not currently offer courses on fixed penalty notices.
- c. Currently still issue fixed penalty notices but will adopt a similar policy in the near future We are looking to adopt traffic offence reports as a process in the future.





## Can you also provide:

- d. Full details of all or any National Driver Offender Retraining Courses offered to offenders We currently only offer Driver Alertness courses in Wiltshire. These are as an alternative to an offence of careless driving and are generally following collisions. They are a day long course which is part in classrooms and part on roads.
- e. Full details of all service providers of these courses

  The service provider in Wiltshire is Wiltshire Council. However, the individual can opt to take the course anywhere in the country where it is available.

I am satisfied that all the relevant information has been passed to me and been considered in the light of your request within the time constraints applicable under the legislation.

Wiltshire Police would like to thank you for the interest that you have shown in the Force.

Yours sincerely

Sue Mayell Force Disclosure Decision Maker

Wiltshire Police offers a re-examination of your case under its review procedure.





## **Force Disclosure Unit**

#### Freedom of Information Request Appeals Procedure

#### 1. Who Can Ask for a Review

Any person who has requested information from Wiltshire Police, which has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act, is entitled to complain and request an internal review, if they are dissatisfied with the response they received.

## 2. How to Request a Review

Requests for review of a Freedom of Information request must be made in writing to the: Force Disclosure Unit Wiltshire Police Headquarters, London Road, Devizes, Wiltshire, SN10 2DN

Email at disclosure@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk.

The reference number, date of the request and details of why the review is being requested must be included. Requests for review should be brought to the attention of the Force Disclosure Unit within 20 working days of the Force's response to the original Fol request.

## 3. Review Procedure

Receipt of a request for review will be acknowledged in writing to include confirmation of the reasons for the review. The review will be conducted by another Decision Maker, who is independent from the original Decision Maker. The Force Disclosure Unit will set a target date for a response. The response will be made as soon as is practicable with the intention to complete the review within twenty working days. In more complex cases the review may take up to 40 working days.

The Independent Decision Maker will conduct a review of the handling of the request for information and of decisions taken, including decisions taken about where the public interest lies in respect of exempt information where applicable. The review enables a re-evaluation of the case, taking into account the matters raised by the complaint.

#### 4. Conclusion of the Appeal

On completion of the review the Independent Decision Maker will reply to the complainant with the result of the review. If the complainant is still dissatisfied following the review they should contact the Information Commissioner to make an appeal. The Information Commissioner can be contacted via the following details:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Tel: 01625 545 700 Fax: 01625 524 510

Email: mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk