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Date: 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016

Dear John Coyne

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPLICATION REFERENCE NO: ICDS/FOI/001505/16**

Thank you for your request for information received by Lancashire Constabulary on 01/03/2016 which was as follows:

***Please supply information on the enforcement effort to achieve speed limit compliance and on the attainment of compliance, for each year over the past four years, as follows.***

- 1. Expenditure on roads policing.***
- 2. Number of mobile speed camera deployments.***
- 3. Number of fixed camera sites.***
- 4. Number of speed limit prosecutions and/or fixed penalty enforcements.***
- 5. Number of warning letters sent.***
- 6. For 20mph, 30mph, 40mph, 50mph and 60mph speed limits respectively, please provide the median speed measured at all camera locations and the median speed for all offences prosecuted or subjected to fixed penalty enforcement.***
- 7. Please provide the number of killed, seriously injured, and slightly injured road casualties.***
- 8. To assist comparison with other police areas, please also provide the Lancashire Constabulary area's total budget and its total population.***

**We asked you for the following clarification on 02 March 2016**

***Upon reading your request, the information owner asked us if you are you able to clarify what you mean by 'mobile speed developments'. By this, do you mean either the number of mobile sites or the number of times each mobile technician has attended a different site or does it mean each tour of duty for the past four years?***

***Also, are you able to clarify what you mean by 'the number of speed limit prosecutions and/or fixed penalty enforcements'. Do you mean how many conditional offers of fixed penalties resulted from mobile and fixed camera enforcement or possibly how many NIP/S172 requests as some will result in a prosecution if for example the speed is too high for a conditional offer?***

***Please also clarify what you mean by the 'number of warning letters sent'. What kind of warning letter do you mean? Do you mean for example vehicles driving at 35mph in a 30mph limit who get a warning instead of a NIP/S172 or do you mean warning letters to people who are unable to identify the driver?***

***When you are asking for 'the median speed measured at all camera locations and the median***

**speed for all offences prosecuted or subjected to fixed penalty enforcement', please can you clarify that you are only requesting camera data and not office issued tickets and report for summon cases.**

**Finally, please can you clarify when you ask for 'the number of killed, seriously injured, and slightly injured road casualties', are we right to say that you mean for the country in the four years rather than particular locations?**

**On the 02 March 2016 you provided the following clarification:**

**Thank you for looking at my request. I will try to clarify, as follows.**

**By "Number of mobile speed camera deployments" I am looking for a measure of the enforcement effort deployed through the use of mobile speed detection equipment. This may be measured by the number of mobile sites which have been operational in any year for speed limit enforcement, but if a site is revisited then that should count as two "deployments", as I have called it.**

**By "Number of speed limit prosecutions and/or fixed penalty enforcements" I am looking for a measure of the number of times the police have decided to take action to punish a speeding offence. I think this would be the number of NIP (Notice of Intended Prosecution) notices sent.**

**By "Number of warning letters sent" I mean the number of warnings about speed limit violations which are deemed not to warrant a NIP; I am not asking about warning letters to people who are unable to identify the driver.**

**Yes. I am only asking about camera data in this part of the request.**

**Please provide the number of killed, seriously injured, and slightly injured road casualties just for the Lancashire Constabulary area, for each of the four years.**

Your request has now been considered and the information you are seeking can be found below:

1. Please see below table displaying expenditure on roads policing.

Year	Exp on Roads Policing £m
2011/12	9.050
2012/13	8.371
2013/14	7.824
2014/15	6.990

2. Please see below table displaying the number of mobile speed camera deployments.

Year	No. of deployments
2012	3517
2013	3375
2014	3453
2015	3907

3. We currently have 287 safety camera sites across Lancashire and as of 17 March 2016 we have 37 cameras in circulation.
4. The information that you have requested regarding years 2012-2014 is exempted by virtue of Section 21 - Information Accessible by Other Means. Please be advised that we have provided the data in respect of 2015 overleaf however the previous years' data is published on the Lancashire Partnership for Road Safety website: [www.safe2travel.co.uk](http://www.safe2travel.co.uk). This letter therefore serves to act as a refusal notice for this part of your request, as per S.17 (1) of the Act. Section 21 is a Class Based, Absolute Exemption therefore there is no requirement to conduct a HARM or Public Interest Test.

Year	NIPs Issued
2012	Please refer to safe2travel website for published figures
2013	Please refer to safe2travel website for published figures
2014	Please refer to safe2travel website for published figures
2015	66314 NIPs issued

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6. Please see below table displaying median speed information.

Median speed	20 mph	30 mph	40 mph	50 mph	60 mph
2011	N/a	37	49	61	72
2012	N/a	37	49	61	71
2013	N/a	37	49	61	71.5
2014	N/a	37	49	60	72.5
2015	N/a	37	49	61	72

7.

The following data has been extracted from our accident recording system using the below parameters:

- Accidents recorded between 1<sup>st</sup> January 2012 and 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015 (inclusive)
- Accidents recorded as above and Collision Delete Indicator = 'N' (No)
- Accidents recorded as above and Casualty/Witness/Owner Type Delete Indicator = 'N' (No)
- Accidents recorded as above and Record Status IS NOT 'C' (Cancelled)
- Accidents recorded as above and Casualty/Witness/Owner Type = 'A' (Pedestrian) OR 'B' (Passenger)
- Accidents recorded as above and Road Type NOT '99' (Private Road or Car Park)
- Accidents recorded as above and Vehicle Type = '8' (Taxi/Private Hire Car) OR '11' (Bus or Coach – 17 or more passengers) OR '18' (Tram/Light Rail)

Year	Fatal Injury	Serious Injury	Slight Injury	ALL INJURIES
2012	36	664	4,845	5,545
2013	35	745	4,486	5,266
2014	36	824	4,662	5,522
2015	43	799	4,554	5,396
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>3,032</b>	<b>18,547</b>	<b>21,729</b>

8. Please see below table displaying the force total budget for the years specified.

Year	Force Total Budget £m
2011/12	275.595
2012/13	265.337
2013/14	264.768
2014/15	254.289

The population of the areas Lancashire Constabulary cover is information that is not held on our systems. However for Lancashire's mid-year population estimates, 2014 and projections for 2012-2037 you can visit the following website:

<http://www3.lancashire.gov.uk/corporate/web/?siteid=6120&pageid=46499&e=e>.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request an internal review of our decision, you should write to the Information Assurance Manager, Information Compliance and Disclosure Section, Police Headquarters, Saunders Lane,

Hutton, Preston PR4 5SB or alternatively send an email to [information@lancashire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:information@lancashire.pnn.police.uk). Details of the Constabulary's Freedom of Information Complaint Procedures can be found attached to this email.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Information Commissioner's Office cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by Lancashire Constabulary. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

*Compliance Team*

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