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by email only

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Dear Mr Fallon,

Freedom of Information request: FOI/67/19

1. I am writing in response to the request for information you submitted to this office dated 19 March 2019, relating to the sentence imposed on Lee Bartram, which is copied in bold below:

FOI Q1. Please disclose a copy of the appeal request issued on behalf of Chief Constable Dave Thompson, and all the corresponding replies/acknowledgements issued by the Attorney General's Office.

FOI Q2. Please advise of when and how the local newspapers were informed of the appeal result, when nothing was displayed on both the Attorney General's website and their Twitter account, and advise who informed them and exactly what they were told, and why nothing appeared on the official websites.

2. I have considered your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). FOIA gives individuals and organisations the right of access to all types of recorded information held, at the time the request is received, by public authorities such as the Attorney General's Office.
3. This office does not hold the information requested. A referral was not received on behalf of Chief Constable Dave Thompson; the sentence was referred to us by members of the public. If it assists, it appears from the attached news report that the local newspapers were aware of the outcome of this review following confirmation of the outcome from the CPS: <https://www.expressandstar.com/news/crime/2019/03/19/appeal-ruled-out-over-police-officers-indecent-image-sentence/>. However, we hold no information that can confirm whether this is the case.
4. For information, the outcome of referrals made to this office are published on a spreadsheet that is regularly updated. The spreadsheet can be found at the following address: <https://www.gov.uk/government/statistical-data-sets/outcome-of-unduly-lenient-sentence-referrals>.
5. If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to the above address. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

6. If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

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