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Response Date: **14/10/2013**

2013/622 – Ched Evans

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

Copies of all emails between North Wales' Press Department and members of media both local and national to include print broadcasting and in particular but not confined to online journalist.

Clarification Request: Please would you clarify if you require emails regarding a particular topic, or all 'emails between North Wales' Press Department and members of media both local & national to include print broadcasting and in particular but not confined to online journalist'.

Clarification Response: I do apologise, all emails that make reference to Ched Evans, in particular but not confined to emails that were sent before to the trial to online journalist.

Please see below response.

The Freedom of Information Act requires that responses cannot disclose any information which will breach the Data Protection Act 1998. The information that you have requested is personal data of which you are not the subject (relating to a third party (section 40(2)) and the falls within paragraphs (a) to (d) of the definition of 'data' in Section 1(1) of the Data protection Act 1998 and disclosure of the information to a member of the public otherwise than under this act would contravene data protection principles.

Section 40 is a class based exemption, therefore it is not necessary to evidence harm caused by disclosure.

Therefore, in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, this letter acts as a Refusal Notice under section 17 (1) of the legislation, and any personal details have been redacted out of your response.

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST UNDER THE
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 08/10/2013

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 24 April 2013 11:51
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Twitter naming of Ched Evans rape victim

Supt Steve Williams said; "We are aware of individuals naming the victim of this rape on twitter. We would warn people that it is a criminal offence under Section 5 of the Sexual Offences Amendments Act, to do so.

"We are reviewing the evidence and our actions will be considered in the light of recent guidance from the Director of Public Prosecutions."

Ends

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 22 April 2013 15:28
To: [REDACTED]@itv.com
Subject: Comment from NWP

Hi [REDACTED],
Please find a comment from Superintendent Steve Williams of North Wales Police.
As discussed, if you could please use the below in place of the earlier statement given, I'd be grateful.
Kind regards,
[REDACTED]

Supt Steve Williams said: "Ched Evans was found guilty of rape by a jury and the conviction upheld by the Court of Appeal. We should not forget that there is a victim in this case and advise individuals that they may be committing offences under the Sexual Offences Act should they disclose her identity."

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 12 December 2012 12:45
To: [REDACTED]@bbc.co.uk
Subject: Re Ched Evans victim

Fao [REDACTED]

DCI Steve Williams said: "The victim in this case has undergone a traumatic experience, not only the rape but the subsequent naming of her on social media sites. In order to bring her life back to some normality she has been offered a support package and has moved away from the area."

Ends

03/08/2012

Great – many thanks

[REDACTED]

From: Appleton, Sue [REDACTED]
Sent: 03 August 2012 10:25
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Ched Evans Twitter charges?

Hi [REDACTED],
Still haven't been able to speak to [REDACTED], sorry, but I think he's in today so will try later.
The situation with the social media case remains the same, they're bailed till September. Not aware that any charges are imminent, but I'll keep you posted.
Kind regards,
Sue

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]@bbc.co.uk]
Sent: 02 August 2012 09:44
To: Appleton, Sue
Subject: Ched Evans Twitter charges?

Good morning Sue –

I wonder if you could make enquiries to see if your force is about to charge individuals for disclosing the name of the victim in Ched Evans's rape trial on Twitter?
A colleague of mine spoke to someone in the CPS the other day, and was told that charges might be imminent – he talked of 19 individuals being questioned originally – could you check?

Could you chase this for me please and let me know what the situation is regarding these suspects?

Many thanks for your help

[REDACTED]

BBC Wales

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 27 April 2012 10:06
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Tweeting arrests update

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 27 April 2012 09:51
To: [REDACTED]@thestar.co.uk; 'northnews@bbc.co.uk'; 'news@leaderlive.co.uk'; 'news@itwales.com'; 'news.wales@heart.co.uk'; 'news@realradio.co.uk'; 'welshnews@dailypost.co.uk'; [REDACTED]@dailypost.co.uk; 'chroniclenews@cheshirenews.co.uk'; [REDACTED]@btinternet.com; [REDACTED]@pressassociation.com; [REDACTED]@the-sun.co.uk; [REDACTED]@bbc.co.uk; [REDACTED]@the-sun.co.uk; 'news@hallamfm.co.uk'; [REDACTED]@itv.com; 'news@sky.com'

Tweeting arrests update

North Wales Police have confirmed that the three individuals arrested as part of their investigation into the social media site naming of the victim in the Ched Evans rape case have been released on bail.

All three have been bailed following questioning at Sheffield Police Station to return to a Police station in North Wales in the near future. They have been bailed to allow Police to conduct further enquiries and to consult with the Crown Prosecution Service.

DCI Steve Williams leading the investigation added. "Further arrests are planned and will be made in the forthcoming days"

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 23 April 2012 09:05
To: [REDACTED]@bbc.co.uk'
Subject: FW: Ched Evans rape conviction and subsequent social media comment

[REDACTED], regarding your request this is what NWP have put out to date.

If there are any further statements released today I will copy you in. I have asked the question re your 1030 slot. I'll await an answer.

Regards, [REDACTED]

"North Wales Police are aware of reports of comments on social media sites and are collating all relevant information".
