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Our ref: 2308828

Your ref:

Date: 7 April 2017

Dear Mr Paulley

Freedom of Information Act 2000

This request is being handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am writing to advise you that, following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the information you requested is not held by Warwickshire County Council.

Please see the responses below to your questions:-

I want to know please:

1) How many drivers in your area have been prosecuted for failing to operate the ramp in such situations in the past year? 0

2) How many complaints have you had about drivers' failure to comply with their criminal duty to operate the ramp in the past year? 0

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3) How do you ensure that drivers' crimes in this specific are punished according to the law? There have not been any reported

4) How many times do you give warnings to a driver before prosecuting them or instigating such prosecutions? There have not been any reported

5) What impact does such prosecution have on a driver's career? Not possible to answer – we have no local cases to consider possible impact.

6) Please supply your procedure for identifying, reporting and prosecuting drivers that have committed this crime. We do not need to have one, because Warwickshire County Council is not the employer of the staff concerned or the regulatory body for the bus operators.

7) In the last year, how many drivers in your area have been prosecuted for failing to allow a wheelchair user to board even though the wheelchair space is physically empty? We don't have this information because Warwickshire County Council is not the employer of the staff concerned or the regulatory body for the bus operators.

8) In the last year, how many drivers in your area have been prosecuted for failing to allow a wheelchair user to board even though passengers and/or their effects in the wheelchair space could readily and easily move to another part of the bus? We don't have this information because Warwickshire County Council is not the employer of the staff concerned, or the regulatory body for the bus operators

9) In the last year, how many drivers in your area have been prosecuted for failing to allow a wheelchair user to board, without the driver investigating to determine whether passengers or their effects occupying the wheelchair space could easily vacate it by moving to another part of the vehicle? We don't have this information because Warwickshire County Council is not the employer of the staff concerned, or the regulatory body for the bus operators

10) How do you ensure that drivers' crimes in this area are punished according to the law? Warwickshire County Council is not the employer of the staff concerned, or the regulatory body for the bus operators.

11) How many times do you give warnings to a driver before prosecuting them or instigating such prosecutions? Warwickshire County Council is not the employer of the staff concerned, or the regulatory body for the bus operators.

12) What impact does such prosecution have on a driver's career? Warwickshire County Council is not the employer of the staff concerned, or the regulatory body for the

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bus operators.

13) Please supply your procedure for identifying, reporting and prosecuting drivers that have committed this crime. We do not have one, because Warwickshire County Council is not the employer of the staff concerned, or the regulatory body for the bus operators.

14) How many bus drivers in your area have been prosecuted for other criminal offences committed whilst driving, for e.g. speeding, jumping the lights, stopping in boxed junctions and similar, in the past year? We don't have this information because Warwickshire County Council is not the employer of the staff concerned, or the regulatory body for the bus operators

15) What is the impact on drivers of such prosecutions? We don't have this information because Warwickshire County Council is not the employer of the staff concerned, or the regulatory body for the bus operators

I have attached a list of the bus operators for Warwickshire.

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 address above.

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:

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

Tel: 0303 123 1113
Website: www.ico.gov.uk

I will now close your request as of this date.

Yours sincerely

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