



FOI ref no: 14531

28th July 2022

Freedom of Information request: reference 14531 first notified to us by email on 30th June 2022.

Thank you for your recent request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, as detailed below:

Between 1st March 2020 and 31st March 2022:

How many people have been arrested by your police officers for breaches of coronavirus regulations and how many of these resulted in no further action being taken after arrest?

How many formal complaints have you received from members of the public in relation to police officers exercising powers under the coronavirus regulations and how many of these have been upheld?

Staffordshire Police's response to your enquiry is as follows:

Staffordshire Police does hold the requested information.

Between 1st March 2020 and 31st March 2022:

How many people have been arrested by your police officers for breaches of coronavirus regulations and how many of these resulted in no further action being taken after arrest?

Nil.

How many formal complaints have you received from members of the public in relation to police officers exercising powers under the coronavirus regulations and how many of these have been upheld?

12 complaints were made by members of the public regarding Officers exercising their powers under coronavirus regulations. 0 were upheld.

Please note that these figures have been provided to the best of our ability, subject to the limitations of current recording protocols and systems/software. Additional crimes may have been recorded during these timescales but are awaiting finalisation and input onto these systems and would not be present within this dataset.

Every effort is made to ensure that the figures presented are accurate and complete. However, it is important to note that data is extracted from multiple sources, developed for specific policing purposes, for which data extraction methods have not been specifically designed to directly correlate with the terminology of this request. Therefore the data presented is subject to the inaccuracies and idiosyncrasies inherent in any large scale recording system.

As a consequence, care should be taken in the interpretation and presentation of this data, so as to not misrepresent the whole or any part of the data disclosed.

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 this email and should be addressed to:

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