



FOI ref no: 14493

24<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Freedom of Information request: reference 14493, first notified to us by email on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

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

1. *The number of emergency calls received where there had been an accident involving a cyclist and another road user in each month in 2021 and 2022 (Jan-May)*
2. *The number of those emergency calls that the Police attended.*
3. *The number of emergency calls received where there had been an accident involving two or more motorised vehicles in each month in 2021 and 2022 (Jan-May)*
4. *The number of those emergency calls that the Police attended.*

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

In accordance with Section 17(1) of the Freedom of Information Act, this letter represents a refusal notice for this particular request.

On behalf of Staffordshire Police I wish to advise you that whilst I can confirm that Staffordshire Police does hold the information requested, the force claims the provision under Section 12(1) of the Act (where the cost of compliance exceeds the appropriate limit). 'Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the prescribed limit'.

This is because there is no easy retrievable system to extract data to answer questions 1 and 3. There are over 5000 incidents which would need individually reviewing to identify if they were road traffic collisions involving a cyclist or to establish how many vehicles were involved by reading each report. This would require a very labour intensive manual trawl and to achieve this task would exceed the 18 hour time and cost threshold of the FOI Act.

To assist in refining your request, data can be provided for the total number of 999 emergency calls received broken down by month for each road traffic collision category i.e. damage only, slight injury, serious injury and fatal injury. Data can also be provided for the total of how many of these calls had been resourced, meaning a patrol had been dispatched.

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:

[foi@staffordshire.police.uk](mailto:foi@staffordshire.police.uk)



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