

**Information Governance Unit
Information Management Branch**

24th May 2010

Dear XXXX

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: XXXX

I write in connection with your request for information dated 27th April 2010. I note you seek access to the following information:-

Please could I be told how many times police vehicles activated safety cameras in each of the past two years. Could this figure be broken down into a) activations with blue light showing; b) non-blue activations c) activations that resulted in a speeding penalty.

Result Of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police to locate information relevant to your request. I can confirm that the information you have requested is held by Greater Manchester Police.

2008

a) Activations with blue lights showing	15,366
b) non-blue activations	532
c) activations which resulted in a speeding penalty – (Conditional Offer paid or safety awareness course attended).	91

2009

a) Activations with blue lights showing	14,605
b) non-blue activations	489
c) activations which resulted in a speeding penalty – (Conditional Offer paid or safety awareness course attended).	63

Please note that activations involving police vehicles will only be exempted from proceedings where fully justified and authorised by law and the authorisation is signed by a police officer of at least Superintendent/Chief Superintendent rank, or member of support staff of equivalent rank. The authorising officer must be satisfied the law permits waiving proceedings in these circumstances, and be able to account to a court or disciplinary tribunal on the action

he/she is taken. Exemption forms are issued to all vehicles included as part of answer B (non-blue activations).

Complaint Rights

Your attention is drawn to the attached sheet, which details your right of complaint.

Should you have any further queries concerning this matter, please write or contact me on telephone number 0161-856-2529 quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely

Caroline Barker
Information Access Officer

COMPLAINT RIGHTS

Are you unhappy with how your request has been handled or do you think the decision is incorrect?

You have the right to require Greater Manchester Police to review their decision.

Prior to lodging a formal complaint you are welcome and encouraged to discuss the decision with the case officer that dealt with your request.

Ask to have the decision looked at again –

The quickest and easiest way to have the decision looked at again is to telephone the case officer that is nominated at the end of your decision letter.

That person will be able to discuss the decision, explain any issues and assist with any problems.

Complaint

If you are dissatisfied with the handling procedures or the decision of Greater Manchester Police made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding access to information, you can lodge a complaint with Greater Manchester Police to have the decision reviewed.

Complaints should be made in writing and addressed to:

Freedom of Information Officer
Greater Manchester Police
Police Headquarters
8th Floor
Chester House
Boyer Street
Manchester
M16 0RE

The Information Commissioner

After lodging a complaint with Greater Manchester Police if you are still dissatisfied with the decision you can make an application to the Information Commissioner for a decision on whether the request for information has been dealt with in accordance with the requirements of the Act.

For information on how to make an application to the Information Commissioner please visit their website at www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk. Alternatively, phone or write to:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
Phone: 01625 545 700