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Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

I write in connection with your request for information, which was received by Nottinghamshire Police on 09/01/2014.

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Nottinghamshire Police to locate the information you require.

Please find below answers to your questions:-

I would like a better understanding of car theft, as much data as you have in relation to this crime but more specifically utopia would be a CSV file or equivalent showing car thefts from 2012 detailing postcode vehicle taken from, make and model and year of registration and whether a recovery of the vehicle was made.

RESPONSE

Under S 1 (1) (a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), I can confirm that Nottinghamshire Police does hold the information you have requested.

This information is not recorded in an easily retrievable format. Information relating to the make and model of vehicle, the year of registration and the post code of the crime location are not always recorded within a searchable field and may be contained within the body of the crime report itself. Therefore, to locate, retrieve and extract the requested information would require a manual search of each crime record to fully ascertain all the requested details. An initial search revealed a total of 2595 records over the period requested.

It is estimated that to search one record and extract all the requested data would take 5-10 minutes for one record which would equate to approximately 216.25 working hours (at the more conservative estimate of 5 minutes per record). This takes the request over the cost threshold of 18 working hours and engages Section 12 (1) of the Act.

This letter constitutes a refusal notice under Section 17(5) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 with Section 12(1) of the act being applied

12. – (1) 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 appropriate limit.

Should you wish for the Force to continue with your request, a more accurate figure will be provided within a fee's notice. The cost will need to be paid by you, prior to any further investigation. Please advise if you wish to proceed.

Alternatively you are invited to refine your request to bring it within the cost threshold – perhaps by reducing the number of years you require data for, and resubmitting the request.

In accordance with the Act, once one part of the request is excess cost the whole request exceeds the cost threshold. Should you wish to refine your request and resubmit it to bring it within the cost threshold I can advise you that we could retrieve the data for numbers of thefts of vehicles where the make and model of the stolen vehicles and the year of registration is recorded within a searchable field only. Such information would not present an entirely accurate view of all recorded crimes of vehicle theft as records where the information was not recorded in a searchable field would be discounted.

In the spirit of the Act but outside of it I can provide you with the total number of vehicle thefts in Nottinghamshire within the specified period as broken down by beat area in which the theft was recorded. Please see the below table:

Beat Name	No. of Car Thefts
ABBAY	12
AINSLEY ESTATE	8
ANNESLEY WOODHOUSE	12
ARNOLD TOWN CENTRE	4
ASPLEY	33
ATTENBOROUGH	4
AWSWORTH	5
BAKERSFIELD	20
BALDERTON AND FARNDON	27
BALLOON WOODS	8

BEACON WINTHORPE COLLINGHAM AND MEERING	29
BEECHDALE	7
BEESTON CENTRAL	12
BEESTON NORTH	10
BEESTON RYLANDS	11
BEESTON TOWN CENTRE	5
BEESTON WEST	7
BELLS LANE	21
BENDIGO	7
BERRY HILL	11
BESTWOOD	22
BESTWOOD PARK	8
BILBOROUGH	14
BILSTHORPE	10
BINGHAM EAST	2
BINGHAM WEST	2
BLIDWORTH	10
BONINGTON	9
BOUGHTON	12
BRAMCOTE	14
BRIDGE	17
BRINSLEY	3
BROADMARSH	4
BROOMHILL	11
BROXTOWE	26
BULWELL	19
BULWELL FOREST	19
BULWELL HALL	10
BULWELL TOWN CENTRE	12
BURTON JOYCE	3
CALVERTON	7
CARLTON	5
CARLTON HILL	6
CARLTON LANGOLD BLYTH	44
CARRINGTON	21
CASTLE	13
CHILWELL EAST	5

CHILWELL WEST	9
CLAYWORTH AND STURTON	4
CLIPSTONE	13
COLWICK	3
COMPTON ACRES	7
COSSALL	1
COTGRAVE	7
COUNTY	7
CRANMER	3
CUMBERLANDS	7
DAYBROOK	10
DENEWOOD	18
DUNKIRK	16
EAKRING	16
EASTWOOD NORTH AND GREASLEY (BEAUVALE)	3
EASTWOOD SOUTH	34
EDWALTON VILLAGE	1
EDWARDS LANE	6
EDWINSTOWE	9
ELKESLEY AND EAST MARKHAM	11
EVERTON AND BECKINGHAM	19
FAIRHAM	7
FARNSFIELD	5
FOREST FIELDS	17
FOREST RECREATION GROUND ARBORETUM	10
FOREST TOWN EAST	9
FOREST TOWN WEST	11
GAMSTON	11
GEDLING	10
GOTHAM	2
GRANGE FARM	4
GREASLEY (GILTbrook AND NEWTHORPE)	3
GREASLEY (WATNALL)	9
GREEN LANE	18
HARWORTH	32
HEMPSHILL VALE	24
HUCKNALL CENTRAL	13

HUCKNALL EAST	40
HUCKNALL NORTH	14
HUCKNALL WEST	21
HYSON GREEN	24
JACKSDALE	7
KEYWORTH SOUTH	7
KILLISICK	6
KIMBERLEY	16
KINGSWELL	10
KIRKBY CENTRAL	16
KIRKBY EAST	20
KIRKBY WEST	22
LACE MARKET	14
LADY BAY	10
LADYBROOK	12
LEAKE	6
LEEMING	8
LEEN	15
LENTON TRIANGLE	13
LINBY AND PAPPLEWICK	4
LINDHURST	17
LOWDHAM	8
LUTTERELL	4
MAGNUS AND DEVON	35
MANSFIELD TOWN CENTRE	9
MANVERS	2
MAPPERLEY	25
MAPPERLEY PLAINS	4
MARKET SQUARE	2
MARMION	8
MARPLE SQUARE	4
MEADOWS	17
MEDEN CHURCH WARSOP	22
MELTON	6
MISTERTON	3
MUSKHAM	4
MUSTERS	2

NETHERFIELD	9
NEVILE	4
NEW BASFORD	31
NEW LENTON	18
NEWSTEAD	5
NUTHALL EAST	12
NUTHALL WEST	3
OAK	4
OAK TREE	9
OLLERTON	9
PARK LANE	27
PHOENIX	11
PLEASLEY HILL BULL FARM	10
PORCHESTER	10
PORTLAND	20
PRIORY	14
QMC	4
RADFORD EAST	19
RADFORD WEST	12
RAINWORTH	4
RAMPTON	8
RANSKILL AND SUTTON	12
RAVENSDALE	18
RAVENSHEAD	8
RETFORD EAST	10
RETFORD NORTH	12
RETFORD SOUTH	7
RETFORD TOWN CENTRE	3
RETFORD WEST	16
RISE PARK	9
RIVER GREEN	18
RIVERSIDE	3
ROBIN HOOD	5
RUDDINGTON	14
SELSTON	10
SHERWOOD	28
SHERWOOD RISE	21

SNEINTON ELEMENTS	11
SNEINTON HERMITAGE	6
SOAR VALLEY	3
SOUTHWELL NORTH AND EAST	4
SOUTHWELL WEST	1
STANFORD	6
ST. ANNS WELL ROAD	11
STAPLEFORD NORTH	19
STAPLEFORD SOUTH EAST	10
STAPLEFORD SOUTH WEST	21
ST. JAMES	2
ST. MARYS	11
STOCKHILL	12
STRELLEY	14
SUTTON CENTRAL	26
SUTTON EAST	42
SUTTON NORTH	18
SUTTON ON TRENT AND CAUNTON	6
SUTTON WEST	28
THE PARK	16
THOROTON	7
TOLLERTON	2
TOP VALLEY	17
TOTON AND CHILWELL MEADOWS	10
TRENT	7
TRENT BRIDGE	16
TROWELL	5
TUXFORD AND TRENT	5
UNDERWOOD	7
UNIVERSITY PARK	13
VALLEY	5
VICTORIA CENTRE	5
WARSOP BIRKLANDS	3
WELLS ROAD	32
WHITEMOOR	22
WILFORD	6
WIVERTON	6

WOLDS	9
WOLLATON EAST	18
WOLLATON WEST	9
WOODBOROUGH	1
WOODTHORPE	7
WORKSOP NORTH EAST	81
WORKSOP NORTH WEST	47
WORKSOP SOUTH AND WELBECK	40
WORKSOP SOUTH EAST	52
WORKSOP TOWN CENTRE	32
Sum:	2595

Police forces in the United Kingdom are routinely required to provide crime statistics to government bodies and the recording criteria is set nationally. However, the systems used for recording these figures are not generic, nor are the procedures used locally in capturing the crime data. **It should be noted that for these reasons, this force's response to your questions should not be used for comparison purposes with any other response you may receive.**

Complaints Rights

Your attention is drawn to the enclosed review procedure, which details your right of complaint.

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in Nottinghamshire Police.

Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter, please write or contact the Freedom of Information Officer on telephone number 0115 9672507 or e-mail freedomofinformation@Nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

Disclosure Officer

Are you dissatisfied with your response?

Nottinghamshire Police has a duty to implement a complaints process in relation to Freedom of Information Act requests. If you are not content with our response, you may appeal, this process is known as an 'Internal Review'

Internal reviews are intended to be a fair and impartial means of reviewing the original request process.

You can appeal about your request if you:-

- Disagree with the Forces interpretation of your request;
- Believe the Force hold more information than has been disclosed to you;
- Disagree with the application of exemptions;
- Are still waiting for a response and are unhappy with the delay.

How do I appeal?

All appeals should be made in writing and sent to:-

Information Management
Nottinghamshire Police
Force Headquarters
Sherwood Lodge
Arnold
Notts
NG5 8PP

or alternatively freedomofinformation@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk

To deal with your appeal as quickly as possible please provide the unique identification number provided with your response and the reasons for your appeal.

Once we have received your request for appeal, your FOI response will be reviewed in full to identify any problems in the disclosure.

The review will be undertaken by someone different from, and preferably senior to, the original decision maker and this should be completed within 20 working days from receipt, in exceptional circumstances it may be extended by a further 20 working days.

What if I'm still not satisfied?

You can appeal to the Information Commissioner. You can contact the Information Commissioner Officer at the following:-

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

Tel: 0303 123 1113 (local rate) or 01625 545 745 (national rate)

E-mail: casework@ico.org.uk