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**REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2019/04828**

I write in connection with your request for information received on 26th July. I note you seek access to the following information:

**Speeding details request: -**

**1. Within your constabulary, can you give a breakdown of the top three towns / cities in regards to the number of speeding fines issued, including the value of these fines between 1st August 2018 up to and including July 2019?**

**2. Within your constabulary, can you provide the speeding fine totals (£) from 2016, 2107 and 2018 and how much the total value is?**

**CLARIFICATION REQUEST - Bedfordshire Police do not hold total costs / fine data, we only record the number of 'speeding tickets' issued.**

**CLARIFICATION REPLY - Thanks for getting back to me.**

**If there is no financial information available then the number of tickets will suffice.**

I am required by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (The Act) to handle all requests in a manner that is blind to the identity of the requestor. Any information released in response to a request is regarded as being published and therefore, in the public domain without caveat.

Following enquiries within the Force please see our response below.

- 1) Data for the current year to date will not be complete for the following reasons: -
  - a) Traffic Offence Reports issued by Officers have a 6-8 weeks turnaround for entry onto our systems from receipt in the office. As offences are valid for six month many have not yet been finalised and therefore all figures will change.
  - b) Not all speeding tickets end in the driver paying a fine. There are a maximum of three options which could be available, a speed awareness course, points and a fine (Fixed Penalty), or court.

In Bedfordshire between August 2018 and July 2019 the towns which have the most number of tickets finalised by way of the driver paying a fine are shown in the table below: -

Town	Number of tickets finalised by fine	Number of tickets issued
Luton	4181	21219
Woburn	2453	7856
Dunstable	1726	7677

All fines are paid to Her Majesty's Courts and Tribunals Service via the Fixed Penalty Office and paid onto Central Government. Fines are not paid to the Constabulary. The current fine level, as set by central government, is £100 if drivers opt for the Fixed Penalty.

- 2) This data is published online annually, please see the link below: -  
<https://www.bedfordshire.police.uk/information-and-services/Advice/Road-safety/Safety-camera-data>

- a) The 2018 data will be published in September.
- b) All fines are paid to Her Majesty's Courts and Tribunals Service via the Fixed Penalty Office and paid onto Central Government. Fines are not paid to the Force.

The numerical data presented in this response is an un-audited snapshot of un-published data sourced from "live" systems and is subject to the interpretation of the original request by the individual extracting the data.

Should you have any further enquiries concerning this matter please do not hesitate to contact me quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

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Bedfordshire Police provides you the right to request an independent review of this response under its review procedure. If you require such a review you must notify us within two months from the date of this letter. After lodging a complaint with Bedfordshire Police if you are still dissatisfied with the decision you may make an application to the Information Commissioner. For information on how to make a complaint please visit their website at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/> or contact them on 0303 123 1113.