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**REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2019/04590**

I write in connection with your request for information received on 16th July. I note you seek access to the following information:

**Please tell me how many times in 2017, 2018 and 2019 your police force gave out**

- a) penalty charge notices (PCNs) and**
- b) warnings without PCNs**

**to individuals using electric scooters**

- 1) on pavements**
- 2) on roads**

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 your request, searches were conducted at Bedfordshire Police for information relating to electric scooters and penalty charge notices.

These searches failed to locate any records / documents relevant to your request. Accordingly I have determined that Bedfordshire Police do not hold the information you have requested.

An electric scooter would be classified in a similar manner to a Segway, in that it is a personal electric mode of transport that is not authorised to go on the road and is not authorised to go on a pavement (as for instance a mobility scooter would be). Legally they are only allowed on private property.

There are no offences which apply specifically to an electric scooter and so we cannot say whether any tickets have been issued to anyone riding an electric scooter.

Electric scooters are not a recognised class of vehicle in collisions either and so we cannot say whether any collisions have been recorded in which an electric scooter was involved.

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.