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Our Ref: FOI2019/00383

Dear Requestor

**REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2019/00383**

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

1. For the calendar years of 2017 and 2018, please provide yearly totals of:
  - a) The number of car thefts that were reported to your constabulary.
  - b) The number of vehicles that were caught running a red light in your constabulary.
2. For the calendar years of 2017 and 2018, please provide yearly totals that specify how many reported car thefts in your constabulary were categorised as 'keyless theft' (otherwise known as 'relay theft').
3. For the calendar year of 2018, please tell me the five street names in your constabulary where the highest number of car thefts were reported, detailing:
  - a) The name of the street.
  - b) The actual number of car thefts that were reported on each of the five streets during this time period.
4. For the calendar year of 2018, please tell me the five camera locations in your constabulary where the highest number of vehicles were caught running a red light, detailing:
  - a) The camera location.
  - b) The actual number of times that each of the five cameras caught vehicles running a red light during this time period.
5. For the calendar year of 2018, please tell me the five car models that were reported stolen the most times in your constabulary, detailing:
  - a) The make and model of the cars.
  - b) How many thefts were reported for each car model?
6. For the calendar year of 2018, please tell me the five car models that were caught running a red light the most in your constabulary, detailing:
  - a) The make and model of the cars.
  - b) How many thefts were reported for each of the five models during this time period?

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.

**RESPONSE** – Bedfordshire Police have conducted searches of a number of their databases, some of which do not capture all of the requested data.

In relation to some of the answers to your Freedom of Information request you will need to refer to the attached document marked Annex A – FOI2019 00383. This document relates to responses to your some of your questions and have been marked these accordingly: -

1a) – Sheet 1 Annex A – car thefts & locations.

1b) 2017 – 585 and 2018 - 427

2. This data is not centrally recorded and not available.

3a) & b) - Sheet 1 Annex A – car thefts & locations.

4a) & b) – see below table

Location	Notice of intended Prosecutions 2018
Goldington Road Bedford junction with Newnham Ave towards town centre, Bedfordshire	182
Greyfriars, junction with Bromham Road, Bedford, Bedfordshire	245

5a) & b) - Sheet 1 Annex A – car thefts & locations.

6a) & b) – see below table

Vehicle make	Vehicle model	NIPS 2018
VAUXHALL	CORSA SXI - 5 DOOR SALOON	4
HONDA	JAZZ SE - 5 DOOR SALOON	3
MERCEDES	SPRINTER 313 CDI - PANEL VAN	3
MINI	ONE - 3 DOOR SALOON	3
NISSAN	JUKE ACENTA - 5 DOOR SALOON	3

Bedfordshire Police made a significant investment in a new ICT system, Athena, in May of this year which, when fully implemented, will help keep Bedfordshire safe, bring more offenders to justice and improve outcomes for victims. Updating our ICT was absolutely necessary to ensure Bedfordshire Police remains as effective and efficient as possible. The public should be reassured crime continues to be reported and investigated as normal but whilst colleagues become more comfortable and familiar with how Athena works Bedfordshire Police has some concerns around data quality for which reason some of the data provided concerning events recorded after 23 May, may include some inaccuracies. We apologise for the situation and are working to resolve it as soon as possible.

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.