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REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2017/01522

I write in connection with your request for information received on 1st December. I note you seek access to the following information:

I have recently been told that Police Community Support Officers can now issue Penalty Notices for Speed Enforcement, which I believed previously they could not. I am aware that they can issue Fixed penalty Notices for things like Graffiti & Fly Posting, Dog Control and Cycling on a Footpath etc. but can you confirm whether they are allowed to issue Penalty Notices for Speed Enforcement, ie: the proverbial 'speeding ticket', without the presence of a regular Police Officer, or not?

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 - Following enquiries within the Constabulary please see our response below;

Hertfordshire Police Community Support Officers have not been given the power by the Chief Constable to stop vehicles and therefore cannot issue Traffic Offence Reports for speeding.

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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Hertfordshire Constabulary 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 Hertfordshire Constabulary 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.