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REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2018/03033

I write in connection with your request for information received on 4th June. I note you seek access to the following information:

1. For all crimes reported in the calendar year 2018 whose outcomes you have classed as 'investigation complete; no suspect identified', please provide the date on which the investigation started and the date on which it was classed as 'investigation complete; no suspect identified'.

If the investigation was started and concluded on the same day, if possible please state in addition the number of man-hours spent working on the case.

2. Please break this data down by these crime types and if possible the community safety partnership or local authority in which the crime took place:

- **Bicycle theft**
- **Burglary**
- **Criminal damage and arson**
- **Drugs**
- **Other crime**
- **Other theft**
- **Possession of weapons**
- **Public order**
- **Robbery**
- **Shoplifting**
- **Theft from the person**
- **Vehicle crime**
- **Violence and sexual offences**

In other words the table would look something like this:

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 the attached FOI2018 03033 Annex A spreadsheet which is relative to your request.

Redactions have been made to the spreadsheet concerning question 1. This information is exempt by virtue of the following exemption under the Freedom of Information Act;

Section 40(2) Personal Information

There is a likely chance that an individual could be identified if specific dates of investigation were provided, which would contravene the data protection principles listed in the General Data Protection Regulation.

Section 40 of The Act is a class based absolute exemption and as such the legislators have identified that there would be harm in disclosure and there is no need to evidence this or carry out a public interest test.

Each record will require manual analysis to ascertain the man hours spent working each case as per your request. We therefore, consider that the cost of complying with this aspect of your request for information would exceed the appropriate limit of £450 as has been stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees & Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004.

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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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.