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REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 Ref No: FOI2018/00736

I write in connection with your request for information received on 9th February. I note you seek access to the following information:

this is a request under the freedom of information act.

Can you please provide me with a list of the ten highest value items reported stolen in the most recent calendar year (or, alternately, in the financial year 2016/17)?

Figures should be provided in an excel file.

The file should contain a column with the local area where the item was stolen, a column with the name of the item and a column with the value of the item

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 Constabulary please see our response below.

Response – Hertfordshire Constabulary Performance Team have advised that whilst our Crime Recording System does have a data field to record the value of items stolen this is not always completed and is often filled with a nominal £1. For example in the case of a burglary, the value of stolen items is not known at the time of the crime report being taken and therefore is not recorded.

In the event that information is entered onto the system it is usually in the form of an estimate from the victim or insurance company. It is unlikely that subsequent information as to the current value of the stolen goods is captured; if so it may well be as anecdotal information on the free text fields.

For these reasons we are unable to provide the information you have requested.

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.