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Email:

Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 200818.

You requested the following information, please also see our response below:

How many known incidents have there been in the last 5yrs where staff members have used the siren and/or blue lights on an emergency vehicle when there was no legitimate reason for doing so

We do have that information easily to hand – it would take a significant length of time to go through all incidents during this period to review them for this aspect. As a result of this we are unable to provide the information requested.

How many of the known incidents lead to any sort of formal disciplinary action or informal action

Not applicable

Please give me the first five examples in each year where a staff member has used the siren and blue lights where there was no reason for doing so.

We do not have this data – the use of lights and sirens is the responsibility of the driver of these vehicles and we do not review the applicability of this decision on each call.

I hope you find this information of some assistance.

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Head of Information Governance via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

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