



Response Date:10/05/2024

2024/460 - artificial and 3g pitches

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

Reported incidents of anti social behaviour and criminal offences and any other types of reports at artificial and 3g pitches in north wales over the last 2 years

Our information is set up and searchable for our policing purposes. To obtain the information in the format you have requested would involve manually reviewing each record on our force system, as 'artificial and 3g pitches' are not a recorded location subtype. The cost of providing you with the information is above the amount to which we are legally required to respond i.e. the cost of retrieving the information exceeds the 'appropriate level' as stated in the Freedom of Information (FOI) Fees and Appropriate Limit regulations 2004.

Therefore, in accordance with the FOI Act 2000 the information you have requested is exempt under Section 12 (1), and this letter acts as a Refusal Notice under section 17 (5) of the legislation.

Although excess cost removed the forces obligations under the Freedom of Information Act, as a gesture of goodwill, I have supplied information, relative to your request, retrieved or available before it was realised that the fees limit would be exceeded. I trust this is helpful, but it does not affect our legal right to rely on the fees regulations for the remainder of your request.

In attempt of retrieving data for your request we have performed a search on location subtype = to Sports stadium, Sports club/pavilion, Leisure/swimming centre, Youth club, School, Stables/riding school. A key word search of 'artificial' and '3g' has then been completed:

Month	Year	Summary	HO Code	HO Description	Location Subtype	Location
April	2022	Offender threw a flare onto a synthetic sports pitch causing a burn mark to a section of the artificial	149/00D	Other criminal damage, other (	Sports stadium	Leisure

		surface.		Under £5000.00 damage)		
April	2022	Section of fencing to the 3G astro pitch has been cut away and removed so people can access the pitch and school grounds.	149/00D	Other criminal damage, other (Under £5000.00 damage)	School	Education
April	2022	Unknown group of youths have caused damage to the 3G pitch at the location.	149/00D	Other criminal damage, other (Under £5000.00 damage)	School	Education
November	2022	CALLERS SON MOBILE PHONE WAS STOLEN THE PHONE WAS IN HIS SONS COAT POCKET ON THE 3G PITCH HAS GONE TO PLAY FOOTBALL AND RETYURNED TO FIND THE PHONE GONE	049/10	Theft if not classified elsewhere	Sports stadium	Leisure
May	2023	Person reporting ongoing issues of criminal damage at the location - offenders have caused further damage to fence and started to burn and cutting up he artificial pitch	149/00B	Other criminal damage to a building - business and community (Under £5000.00 damage)	School	Education

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 09/05/2024