



HEDDLU
GOGLEDD CYMRU
NORTH WALES
POLICE

Response Date:03/07/2024

2024/630 - Certificate of sponsorship

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

- 1. Has your force received any reports of fraud/theft involving certificates of sponsorship since the beginning of this year? If so, how many?**
- 2. If so, have they been referred on to Action Fraud?**
- 3. How many of these cases have been referred back to you by Action Fraud since the beginning of the year for further investigation? How many have you decided to take on for further investigation?**
- 4. In cases where your force has decided not to undertake further investigation, what was the reasoning behind this?**
- 5. Is your force actively investigating any cases of fraud/theft involving certificates of sponsorship? If so, how many?**
- 6. What stage are those investigations at?**
- 7. Has your force concluded any investigations in cases of fraud/theft involving certificates of sponsorship? If so, how many, and did they result in any arrests or charges brought?**
- 8. In cases where charges have been brought, what stage are these cases now at? Have any yet proceeded to court?**
- 9. Can you share the names of any people who have been charged?**

We have searched our Records Management System (RMS) for occurrences based on keyword search of occurrence summaries for %certificate%sponsor% - this resulted in no relevant occurrences.

10. Does your force have a strategy in place to systematically handle cases involving certificate of sponsorship fraud? If so, what is this strategy?

There is no specific strategy for dealing with this type of offence.

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UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 28/06/2024