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POLICE**

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2024/704 - Managing individuals subject to notification requirements

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

(A1) How many "working hours" have the department responsible for managing those subject to notification requirements under the Sexual Offences Act 2003 spent doing so within the years 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019?

(A2) Of those "working hours" how many were spent on managing those individuals classed as "low risk", and "no risk", individuals specifically for all of the years mentioned?

(B1) What was the financial cost to the Police Force relating to managing individuals subject to notification requirements under the Sexual Offences Act 2003 in 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019?

(B2) What was the financial cost to the Police Force in managing both "low risk" and "no risk" individuals specifically for all of the years mentioned?

(C1) For the years 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019 – how many applications were made by those subject to notification requirements under the Sexual Offences Act 2003 for removal from indefinite notification requirements pursuant to Part 2, sections 88 and 91 of that act?

(C2) Of those applications, for all of the years mentioned, how many were successful vs how many were unsuccessful?

(C3) What was the breakdown of the risk level, for all of the years mentioned, of the offenders who were granted permission to have their notification requirements removed?

(D1) For the years 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019 – how many individuals monitored by your police force, who are subject to notification requirements under the Sexual Offences Act 2003, reoffended within the period that they are subject to those notification requirements e.g. what is the recidivism rate?

(D2) Of the individuals that did reoffend whilst subject to notification requirements, what was their risk level prior to reoffending for all of the years mentioned?

(E1) What is the force's classification of a "historical sex offence" e.g. conviction takes place two / five / ten / twenty / thirty years prior to conviction?

(E2) Of the individuals that reoffended in the years 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019 whilst subject to notification requirements, how many had been convicted of crimes that would be classed as historical offences by your force?

(F1) How many individuals subject to notification requirements under the Sexual Offences Act 2003, that were classed as "low risk" / "no risk" by your force, AND had committed an

offence that took place over ten years prior to their conviction, reoffended within the years 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020 and 2019?

Our information is set up and searchable for our policing purposes. To obtain the information in the format you have requested (particularly D1 – F1) would involve manually reviewing 1400 ViSOR records on our force system. 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 we can advise you that information requested at A1- B2 is not recorded by North Wales Police.

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 24/07/2024