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2025/282 - Information Exchange

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

As part of the UKRI International Law Enforcement Information Exchange Project (Edge Hill University), examining how information can be effectively exchanged between law enforcement agencies, we would like to ask you to provide the following information:

Data Breaches:

- **The number of data breaches recorded by your force in the past 10 years.**
- **The agencies or external bodies involved, if any.**
- **The type of data compromised.**
- **The departments or units within your force affected.**
- **The impact of these data breaches.**
- **Whether any of these breaches were reported in the media (if so, please specify).**
- **Whether the breaches were made public by the force.**

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. 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.

Information Sharing Agreements:

- **What information sharing agreements your force currently has in place.**
- **The number of information sharing agreements your force currently has in place.**
- **The organisations or agencies these agreements are with.**
- **A distinction between statutory information sharing agreements and localised agreements.**

Please see the answer to Question one.

Operational Databases:

- **The number of separate information databases your force operates in relation to operational matters (excluding internal systems such as HR or logistical databases, clothing stores, etc.).**
- **A brief description of the purpose of these operational databases. To be clear, we do not require specific titles of the databases; generic descriptions will suffice - for example: "intelligence (general)", "intelligence casework", "incident (general)", "knife crime", "gangs", etc.**

- We fully acknowledge the need to maintain operational sensitivity and are not requesting any information that would compromise security or investigative work.

North Wales Police do not hold a list of 'information databases'.

Please see the answer to Question one.

ADR Requirements:

- The systems your force uses to ensure compliance with the Authorised Professional Practice on Data Retention (ADR) requirements.**
- Confirmation on whether these systems fully address all ADR requirements, or whether certain requirements necessitate bespoke responses or solutions.**

Please see the answer to Question one.

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 04/03/2025