



**HEDDLU
GOGLEDD CYMRU
NORTH WALES
POLICE**

Response Date: 23/07/2026

2026/699 - POA 2023 - arrests and charges

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

I am seeking information on the following offences under the Public Order Act 2023: Section 1 (locking on), Section 2 (being equipped to lock on) and Section 7 (interference with the use or operation of key national infrastructure).

For each offence, please provide:

- 1. The number of arrests**
- 2. The number of individuals charged**
- 3. The number of individuals released without further action**
- 4. The number of cases referred to CPS for a charging decision (where recorded).**
- 5. Where possible, please provide the figures in annual breakdowns.**

I am looking for this data from 3rd May 2023 (when the Public Order Act received Royal Assent) to the date this request is processed.

North Wales Police do not hold any information as there was a 'nil' return.

THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST
UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000, AND IS CORRECT AS AT 22/07/2026

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