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## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000.   MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS

I refer to your e-mail of 3 November  2017, which was acknowledged on the 7 November 2017.

We are treating your e-mail as a request for information in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA 2000).

In your e-mail you requested the following information:

**"I would like to know how many serving Police Officers and PCSO's have been convicted of criminal offences in the last five years and what their convictions were for and the sentences given.**

**And how many serving Police Officers and PCSO's have been dismissed due to being convicted of a criminal offence in the last five years."**

A search for information has now been completed by the Ministry of Defence Police and I can confirm that we do hold information in scope of your request.

Please see the attached document.

If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

If you wish to complain about the handling of your request, or the content of this response, you can request an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, Ground Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, SW1A 2HB (e-mail CIO-

FOI-IR@mod.gov.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of the date of this response.

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Yours sincerely

**MDP Sec Data Protection and Freedom of Information Office**

1. "I would like to know how many serving Police Officers and PCSO's have been convicted of criminal offences in the last 5 years and what their convictions were for and the sentences given."

   **6 serving officers** were convicted of criminal offences within the last 5 years

   (Please see below chart for the conviction and sentence breakdown)

| Conviction(s) | Sentence |
|---|---|
| 2x Assault 1x Breach of the peace (Sect 38 of the Criminal Justice & Licensing Scotland Act 2010) | Community Payback Order - 300 hours unpaid work |
| Fraud | 2 years imprisonment suspended for 2 years and ordered to pay £47,950 |
| Failing to provide a specimen of breath | Disqualified from driving for 12 months and fined £750 |
| 3 counts of Common Assault contrary to Section 39 Criminal Justice Act 1988 Theft of a handbag contrary to Section 1 Theft Act 1968 | 2yr Restraining order - 2yr conditional discharge - £965 Court costs, £1050 compensation and £40 victims surcharge |
| Wrongful use of a disabled person's badge contrary to s.117 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 | £315 fine, £450 court costs, £31 victim surcharge |
| 1. Civic Government (Scotland) act 1982 section 52 (1) (a) as amended. 2. Civic Government (Scotland) act 1982 section 52A (1). 3. Civic Government (Scotland) act 1982 S51A (1) | 12 months imprisonment |

2. "How many serving officers and PCSO's have been dismissed due to being convicted of a criminal offence in the last 5 years."

**1 officer** was dismissed due to being convicted of a criminal offence, **5 officers** resigned prior to misconduct proceedings.

**Please note that as a force, the MDP does not employ PCSO's**