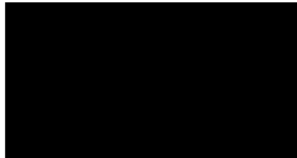


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25 July 2014

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for information about speed cameras on the M25. Your request was received on 6 July 2014 and I am dealing with it under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am writing to confirm that we do hold some of the information you have requested.

Firstly, you asked 'how many cameras in total on the M25?'

There are currently 46 HADECS (Highways Agency Digital Enforcement Compliance System) cameras on the M25 and further cameras will be installed on the section between J25-27 where it is currently being upgraded to a Smart Motorway.

Secondly, you asked 'what was the cost of installing all of these cameras?'

Speed enforcement cameras on the M25 have been installed as an integral part of several motorway widening and improvement schemes over several years. Therefore we are unable to provide the cost of installing the cameras on their own. The following full scheme costs which included the provision of cameras are listed on the Highways Agency website:

M25 J5-7 £129m  
M25 J16-23 £545m  
M25 J23-27 £188m  
M25 J27-30 £361m

The information for the third and fourth questions - 'at what speed do they trip?' and 'how much revenue has been raised over the last year from motorists breaching this speed limit.'

Enforcement is one of a number of measures which are used to support compliance with the displayed speed limits and variable speed enforcement cameras are installed as part of every Smart Motorway scheme, and are operated by the Police.

Since enforcement is carried out by the Police, the Agency does not hold any information on at what speed do they "trip" or how much revenue has been raised over the last year from motorists breaching the speed limit; this is decided by the Police as the enforcing authority. Each local Police force will determine their own enforcement strategy, and these may vary between regions.

For this reason I am unable to provide the information you have requested; however I can tell you that the Smart Motorway concept, of which the cameras are a key element, has brought specific benefits to motorists by improving journey times and reducing congestion, at a reduced cost to the taxpayer compared with traditional road widening.

In keeping with the spirit and effect of the Freedom of Information Act, all information is assumed to be releasable to the public unless exempt. We will, therefore, be releasing to the public the information you requested, together with any related information that will provide a key to its wider context via our website: <http://www.highways.gov.uk/>

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If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

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