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By email – [REDACTED]

Our Ref: eCase: FOI2016/04676 RFI: 133/16
Date: 25 May 2016

Dear [REDACTED],

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: DETAILS OF POLICE VEHICLES INVOLVED IN TRAFFIC COLLISIONS AND COMPENSATION PAYOUTS

We refer to your email dated 25 April 2016 which was acknowledged on 26 April 2016.

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

In your email of 25 April 2016 you requested the following information:

“Under Freedom of Information laws, I would like to request the following information.

1. How many police vehicles have been involved in traffic collisions over the last three financial years? Please break down by 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16.

Please also break down by:

- i) how many of these incidents occurred during emergency calls, and how many did not.**
- ii) how many injuries and fatalities were caused, and whether these were police officers, or members of the public**
- iii) The type of vehicle, the financial cost of repair to vehicles, and whether the vehicle was written off .**

The information I wish to receive also relates to incidents where one of your vehicles was involved in an collision where the vehicle was not damaged (but, for instance, where someone may have been injured, or another vehicle or property was damaged).

To add - by 'collisions' - I mean bumps and scrapes with objects and people, as well as other vehicles.

2. How much money has been paid out in compensation payments to individuals who have been involved in collisions with one of your vehicles, including staff?

Please provide the figures for the same financial years as above - however, I would like this information relating to the year compensation was paid out, even if the accident/collision took place in an earlier year.

Please provide separate figures relating to money paid out to members of the public to repair their vehicles/buildings as the result of a collision.”

A search for information has now been completed and I can confirm that some information in scope of your request is held.

1. How many police vehicles have been involved in traffic collisions over the last three financial years? Please break down by 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16.

Financial year	Number of traffic collisions involving MDP vehicles
2013-14	55
2014-15	60
2015-16	47

i) how many of these incidents occurred during emergency calls, and how many did not.

No information held. Emergency calls cannot be picked up by the report writing application that generates the figures and this information may also be omitted in the original paperwork.

ii) how many injuries and fatalities were caused, and whether these were police officers, or members of the public

There have been 6 Injuries involving MDP officers during the time period requested.

iii) The type of vehicle, the financial cost of repair to vehicles, and whether the vehicle was written off .

The types of vehicles involved in traffic collisions listed above are shown below:

CAR (SAL & EST)
VAN (MEDIUM)
CIV 4WD / PICKUP
MINIBUS
CIV CARGO +3.5T

No information is held in regards to the financial cost of repair to vehicles or whether the vehicles were written off.

2. How much money has been paid out in compensation payments to individuals who have been involved in collisions with one of your vehicles, including staff?

Please provide the figures for the same financial years as above - however, I would like this information relating to the year compensation was paid out, even if the accident/collision took place in an earlier year.

Please provide separate figures relating to money paid out to members of the public to repair their vehicles/buildings as the result of a collision

	2013/2014	2014/2015	2015/2016
Injury payments	£35,206	£12,273	£43,009
Vehicle/property payments	£41,597	£51,085	£49,640

If you are not satisfied with this response or wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, 1st Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall, London SW1A 2HB (email CIO-FOI-IR@mod.uk). Please note that any request for an internal review must be made within 40 working days of the date on which the attempt to reach informal resolution has come to an end.

If you remain dissatisfied following an internal review, you may take your complaint to the Information Commissioner under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act. Please note that the Information Commissioner will not investigate the case until the MOD internal review process has been completed. Further details of the role and powers of the Information Commissioner can be found on the Commissioner's website (<http://www.ico.org.uk>).

Yours sincerely

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