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Dear [REDACTED]

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: CHILDREN AND POLICING.

We refer to your email dated 23 January 2020 to the Ministry of Defence Police which was acknowledged on the same date.

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

In your email you requested the following information:

"1) Under your police force, how many children (under the age of 18) in 2018/19 following offences were recorded with:

- 1a) No Further Action**
- 1b) Cautioned (formally or informally)**
- 1c) Arrested**
- 1d) Prosecuted**
- 1e) Convicted**

2) Under your police force, how many Looked After Children (under the age of 18) in 2018/19 following offences were recorded with:

- 2a) No Further Action**
- 2b) Cautioned (formally or informally)**
- 2c) Arrested**
- 2d) Prosecuted**
- 2e) Convicted**

3) Please also provide, in table format, crimes by type for questions (1) and (2) above, and the percentage of first time offenders for each category and outcome.

4) How does your police force seek the views of care-experienced children and young people (Looked After Children and Care Leavers) on issues such as crime and policing?

5) Please attach any guidance/policies by your police force (or policing region) that relate to:

5a) Policing care-experienced children and young people (Looked After Children and/or Care Leavers)

5b) Trauma-informed policing (including Adverse Childhood Experiences)

5c) Child-rights or child-centred approach to policing”

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).

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Yours sincerely

MDP Secretariat and Freedom of Information Office

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION RESPONSE

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Question 1: Under your police force, how many children (under the age of 18) in 2018/19 following offences were record with:

- 1a) No further action
- 1b) Cautioned (formally or informally)
- 1c) Arrested
- 1d) Prosecuted
- 1e) Convicted

Answer: 1a) 2

Also one Community Resolution Order awarded to one child.

Question 2: Under your police force, how many Looked After Children (under the age of 18) in 2018/19 following offences were record with:

- 1a) No further action
- 1b) Cautioned (formally or informally)
- 1c) Arrested
- 1d) Prosecuted
- 1e) Convicted

Not applicable to this Force.

Question 3: Please also provide, in table format, crime by type for questions (1) and (2), and the percentage of first time offenders for each category and outcome.

MDP do not manage “Looked after Children” (Q2), and first time offending is not recorded as a category to enable searching.

Question 4: How does your police force seek the views of care-experience children and young people (Looked After Children and Care Leavers) on issues such as crime and policing?

Not applicable to this Force.

Question 5: Please attach any guidance/policies by your police force (or policing region) that relate to:-

- 4a) Policing care-experienced children and young people (Looked After Children and/or Care Leavers)
- 4b) Trauma-informed policing (including Adverse Childhood Experiences)
- 4c) Child-rights or child-centre approach to policing.

No information held

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