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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000: MINISTRY OF DEFENCE POLICE: COVID 19 OFFENCES.

We refer to your email dated 11 May 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:

"Since the introduction of The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) Regulations 2020 and The Coronavirus Act 2020 on 25 March 2020 (or applicable Covid-19 laws) to the current date:

- 1. How many offences have been recorded by the force and under what law? (E.g. The Health Protection Act: Regulation 7 or The Coronavirus Act: Schedule 21)
- 2. How many Fixed Penalty Notices (FPN) have been issued and under what law?
- 3. How many arrests have been made and under what law?
- 4. How many charges have been brought and under what law?

For all responses, please provide a summary of the alleged offence where possible and an offender breakdown by age, gender and ethnicity."

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.

As of 10 May 2020:

1. How many offences have been recorded by the force and under what law? (E.g. The Health Protection Act: Regulation 7 or The Coronavirus Act: Schedule 21)

34 under the 'Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) Regulations 2020.

2. How many Fixed Penalty Notices (FPN) have been issued and under what law?

In relation to this question we are applying a Section 21 exemption, as the information you have requested is accessible by other means – please see the link below.

https://news.npcc.police.uk/releases/statistical-update-on-number-of-lockdown-fines-given-by-police

3. How many arrests have been made and under what law?

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4. How many charges have been brought and under what law?

No information held

For all responses, please provide a summary of the alleged offence where possible and an offender breakdown by age, gender and ethnicity.

See below:

Offender Age	Gender	Ethnicity	Summary of the offence
64	Male	White	Contravene requirement as to restriction of movement during emergency period
43	Male	White	As above
19	Female	White	As above
23	Male	White	As above
27	Male	White	As above
26	Male	White	As above
23	Male	White	As above
24	Male	White	As above
21	Male	Asian	As above
29	Male	White	As above
32	Male	White	As above
37	Female	White	As above
21	Male	Asian	As above
21	Male	Asian	As above
27	Male	Asian	As above
23	Male	Asian	As above
20	Male	White	As above
22	Female	White	As above
21	Male	White	As above
21	Male	White	As above
20	Male	White	As above
22	Male	White	As above

19	Female	White	As above
18	Male	White	As above
18	Male	White	As above
18	Male	White	As above
26	Male	White	As above
24	Male	White	As above
28	Male	White	As above
30	Male	White	As above
20	Female	White	As above
30	Male	Asian	As above
27	Male	White	As above
34	Male	White	As above

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Yours sincerely

MDP Secretariat and Freedom of Information Office